

L. H. J.
Lib. No. 45 The said John Leeds desired time of the House to excuse himself, whereupon He was further continued in the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms.

The House adjourned untill 3 of the Clock in the afternoon

Post Meridiem. The House met according to adjournment.

On reading the Report from the Committee of Aggrievances relating to the Officers fees the House concurs therewith.

The House adjourns untill to morrow morning at 9 of the Clock.

May 23

Tuesday Morning May the 23^d 1738

p. 776 The House met according to Adjournment, all present as yesterday.

M^r Dulany hath leave of the House to be absent this day

On motion, leave given to bring in a Bill for the limitation of Officers Fees.

Capt. Gordon a member returned to serve for the City of Annapolis appeared in the House this day. M^r Samuel Smith and M^r Edward Lloyd sent to the Upper House to see him qualified, they return and acquaint M^r Speaker they saw him qualified by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, and by signing the said Oaths and by repeating and signing the Test.

M^r John Leeds being called to the Bar of this House, the Clerk was ordered to give Him the following Submission in writing.

I acknowledge my Error in relation to the Authority of your Honourable House. I sincerely ask pardon for the indecent language and ill manners used by me, in contempt of the honour and dignity of the Representative Body of his Majesty's Leige Subjects the People of Maryland in General Assembly convened, and hope the same will be attributed to my want of judgment, rather than Malitious intention.

I ask pardon of M^r Nicholas Goldsborough, one of the Members of your Honourable House, for the ill manners used by me towards Him, and hope He will pardon me for the same.

Which He after reading, was ordered by the House to make, The said John Leeds entirely refused. He was ordered to withdraw in Custody of the Serjeant.

Ordered that the Clerk of this House make out an Order directed to the Sheriff of Ann Arundell County and Keeper of the Publick Goal in the City of Annapolis for the Province of Maryland, commanding him to receive the body of John Leeds now in Custody of the Serjeant at Arms attending the Lower House of Assembly, and