

Burgesses here, and that it is an indelible Character stamped on them which cannot be taken off - but by the Ordinary or power by which it was conferred

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put to the Question whether it shall be asked Col. Good if he be in Holy Orders, Carried by Majority of Voices in Affirmative.

And thereupon the Question being asked Col. Good - he replies if disabled himself by accepting and

Military Commissions.

Ordered that ye Committee of Elections and Privileges go and make their Reports and Col. Good qualified to sit as a member of this House, with power to examine persons de.

Committee of Elections and Privileges enter the House, and present the following Reports in Relation to Col. Good being qualified to sit as a member of this House.

We are informed by the account of Mr. Speaker and Mr. Hutton that the said John Good hath formerly exercised the priests office at St. Georges in St. Marys County by a considerable tyme preached to them in a Church built there for that purpose, and during that tyme administering the Sacrament of Baptisme to Infants and joining people in Marriages which they both affirme upon their own Knowledge and that the said Good did receive for such Ministeriall Function the Subscriptions or Gifts of severall persons Inhabitants of ye same place

And Mr. Speaker says and affirms that the said Good severall tymes affirmed and owned to him that he had Holy Orders, and was Ordged by the Bishop of Exeter, and to the best of his Remembrance hath seen the Orders but is not positive.

We find by Information and of our own Knowledge that the said Good has for many years past received and exercised severall Judiciall and Ministeriall offices in this Province such as Justice of Peace, Capt. Colonel - Lewt. Col. &c -

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John Good has been divested + therefore it is debated in this being employed and exercising such be a discharge of such Holy + + of votes in the Negative, vizt - Accepting and exercising such

Judiciall and Ministeriall offices doth not discharge him from such Holy Functions; So that upon the whole Matter it appearing to the Committee, that the said Good hath received Holy Orders and never been + divested or degraded thereof by the same Authority that conferred them, and that no person in Holy Orders according to the Law of England can