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to elect a Delegate to serve in this present General Assembly, in the room of the late Honourable Speaker, deceased; and to the Sheriff of Somersset County, to elect a Delegate in the room of Mr. *William Hayward*, who is removed to the Upper House.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Bordley* do acquaint the Reverend Mr. *Boucher*, that he is desired by this House to read Divine Service every Morning during this Session, at Three Quarters after Seven.

On Motion, ORDERED, That the several Papers referred to in his Excellency's Speech, be read; and they were read accordingly.

Mr. *Reverdy Ghiselin* certifies, that *Robert Reynolds* has qualified himself as Door Keeper to the Lower House of Assembly, by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, repeating the Test, and subscribing the same and Oath of Abjuration, and also by taking the following Oath of Office: "You *Robert Reynolds* do swear, that you will faithfully, diligently and honestly discharge the Office of Door Keeper to the Lower House of Assembly, and that you will not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof: So help you GOD."

*The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning VIII o'Clock.*

W E D N E S D A Y, September 26, 1770.

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all appeared as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

Mr. *Contee* appeared in the House.

ORDERED, That the Gentlemen who were on the Committee to inspect the Arms and Ammunition, and the Accounts relating thereto, appointed by this House last Session, be continued thereon this Session.

ORDERED, That a Message be prepared to the Upper House, acquainting them with the Hours this House hath appointed for their sitting for the Dispatch of the publick Business during this Session.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Ringgold*, Mr. *Grahame*, Mr. *Worthington*, Mr. *Eden*, Mr. *Steele*, Mr. *Contee*, and Mr. *Parran*, join one or more of the Members of the Upper House, as a Committee to inspect the Office and Proceedings of the Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit.

ORDERED, That a Message be prepared to the Upper House acquainting them therewith.

ORDERED, That the Rules of last Session be observed as the Rules of this Session.

The following Message was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. *Grahame* and Mr. *Worthington*.

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, September 26, 1770.

May it please your HONOURS,

THIS House hath appointed Messieurs *Ringgold*, *Grahame*, *Worthington*, *Eden*, *Steele*, *Contee*, and *Parran*, to join one or more of the Members of your House, as a Committee to inspect the Office and Proceedings of the Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit.

Signed per Order,

JOHN DUCKETT, Cl. Lo. H.

They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the Message.

The following Message was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. *Mackall* and Mr. *Hooper*.

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, September 26, 1770.

May it please your HONOURS,

THIS House hath appointed from Eight o'Clock in the Morning till One in the Afternoon for its sitting every Day during this Session, for the Dispatch of the publick Business.

Signed per Order,

JOHN DUCKETT, Cl. Lo. H.

They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the Message.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Goldsbrough* and Mr. *N. Thomas*, be a Committee to inquire what Laws will expire this Session, and report the same to the House.

The several Papers communicated by his Excellency were read a Second Time, and referred for Consideration on Wednesday next.

ORDERED, That the Matter recommended in his Excellency's Speech, relative to the criminal Law, be taken into Consideration on Thursday the Fourth Day of October next.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Gale*, Mr. *Selby*, Mr. *N. Thomas*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Bordley*, Mr. *Worthington*, Mr. *Ward*, Mr. *Ware*, Mr. *Hollyday*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Luckett*, Mr. *J. Paca*, Mr. *Gantt*, Mr. *W. Thomas*, Mr. *Tyler*, and Mr. *W. Paca*, be a Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. *Ward*, Mr. *Goldsbrough*, Mr. *Tilghman*, Mr. *J. Hall*, and Mr. *Bordley*, a Committee of Elections and Privileges.

Mr. *Goldsbrough*, Mr. *Wright*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Gilpin*, and Mr. *Aquila Hall*, a Committee of Accounts.

Mr. *Tyler*, Mr. *Mackall*, Mr. *Hooper*, Mr. *Harrison*, Mr. *J. Hall*, Mr. *Putnell*, Mr. *Griffith*, Mr. *Gantt*, Mr. *Selby*, and Mr. *W. Thomas*, a Committee to inspect into the several publick Offices, and report to the House the State and Condition of them.

ORDERED, That the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice, do forthwith publish, in the *Maryland Gazette*, their Hour and Place of sitting during this Session.

*Benedict Calvert*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivered to Mr. Speaker the following Message.

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