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L. H. J.  
No. 41

Signed p Order Jo. Beale Clk.

By the Committee of Elections and Privileges  
October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1714.

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We find M<sup>r</sup> John Hammond upon due Examination to be duly elected a Member for Ann Arundel County but the Sheriff hath not sent the writ according to the Tenor thereof

Signed p Order Jo. Beale Clk.

By the Committee of Elections and Privileges  
October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1714.

We find M<sup>r</sup> William Blay upon due Examination to be duly elected a Member for Kent County according to Law.

Signed p Order Jo. Beale Clk.

M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Brookes Jun<sup>r</sup> a Member for Prince George's County appeared this Day in the House.

Col<sup>o</sup> Hoskins and Major Walter Storey are sent along with M<sup>r</sup> Phelps Naval Officer of Potowmack to see him prove his Accounts.

They return and say they see him prove his Accounts.

M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Worthington from the Committee of Laws delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker an Answer prepared to his Excy's Speech which being read was approved of by the House and ordered to be entered as foll. Viz.

By the House of Delegates  
October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1714

May it please your Excellency

We the Delegates of this Province now assembled beg Leave to return your Excy our unfeigned Thanks for your most favourable Speech The valuable Proposals therein made (being of such Concern to the Province in General) cannot but make a deep Impression upon all who value or regard the Welfare of it. As an Instance of our ready Obedience to her Majesty's Commands and your Excy's Request we shall apply ourselves with our utmost Diligence in the Examination of the Laws of the Province in Order to the Amendment of such as shall want it in the most expeditious manner and with as little Expence as possible. The Encouragement of Schools for the propagation of Learning the Advancement of the