

- L. H. J. Opinions, whether such Insolencys as he has offered be exempt from Punishment by y^r Law.

Gentlemen.

I Cannot conclude without giving you two remarkable Instances of the notorious Falsitys that have been reported of me the first is,

That the Roman Catholicks, were Denied a freedom in Commerce, the Second, That I had beaten M^r Macnemara most unmercifully.

Against such wicked men, that will Advance so gross Calumnys to Serve a Turn, What Inocence can protect. Who that woud make Conscience of his Duty can be Safe in the Execution of it. Yet as I hope such practices will not deterr the Magistrates from their Duty to his Majesty and his Lordship; so I take this Occassion to Declare that I am firmly resolved to Support them in it, so far as in me lyes, nor shall any Reflections on the past Effects of the malice of the Roman Catholicks and their Adherents towards me, nor any apprehension of their future Rage Slacken my Endeavours, towards, the Establishing the Protestant Interest in this Province under the Auspicious protection of our Sovereign Lord King George and his Lordships Government

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- p. 9 After which M^r Speaker with the whole House return to their own House where M^r Speaker resumes the Chair

Ordered that the same Gent who where Appointed to be of the Severall Comittees last session be still Continued on the same Comittees.

Ordered that the Committee of Laws prepare an Answer to his Excys Speech.

Ordered that Warrants be issued to the Secretary to prepare the following writt of Election viz:

To the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis for electing a member in the stead of M^r Benjaman Tasker who since last Session is made sherriff of that City.

To the Sherriff of Baltemore County for the electing a member in the Stead of M^r Peter Bond Dec^d

To the Sherriff of Charles County for the electing Two members one in the room of Coll. Phill Hoskins decēd & of M^r Samuell Hanson who Since last Sessions is made Sherriffe of that County

To the Sheriffe of Prince George's County for electing a member in stead of Major Josiah Wilson decēd.