

Samuel Chamberlain Esq^r from the Upper House, delivers M^r L. H. J. Speaker a petition of the Rector, Vestrymen and Church Wardens of St. James's Parish, in Anne Arundel County; and the petition of the Rector, Vestry and Church Wardens, and principal Inhabitants, of King George Parish, in Prince George's County; Indorsed "Read and Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House."

The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock

Wednesday Morning, May 16. 1744

May 16

The House met according to Adjournment &c. M^r Philip Hammond appeared this morning in the House.

The Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, Church wardens &c. of King George Parish in Prince George's County, praying leave to bring in a Bill, to raise a Sum not exceeding 800^l to build a Chapel &c. was Read, and Leave given to bring in a Bill.

The petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, and Church wardens of St James Parish, in Anne Arundell County, praying leave to bring in a Bill, to enable the Incumbent, Vestry, and Church Wardens of said Parish to Lease for Lives, or years, a Tract of Land Called Wrighton &c. was Read, and Leave given to bring in a Bill.

M^r Sprigg delivers M^r Speaker a Bill entituled, An Act to enable the Rector, Vestrymen and Church wardens of St. James Parish, in Anne Arundel County, to Lease Lands and Lots belonging to St. James's Church, in Manner and to the Uses therein mentioned; which was Read the ffirst Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

William Stoughton Esq^r fro mthe Committee of Laws, delivers M^r Speaker an Ingrossed Bill entituled, An Act for the Naturalization of James Richard of Baltimore County; which was Read and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House with the paper Bill, by M^r Pemberton and M^r Thomas Hammond.

The petition of Joseph Gwinn of Charles County Planter, was Read, and Referred for Consideration next Assembly

William Stoughton Esq^r from the Committee of Laws, delivers M^r Speaker an Ingrossed Address, to his most Excellent Majesty; which was Read and assented to, and signed, on Behalf of the Lower House, by the Honourable Speaker.

The Address was contained in these Words, viz.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Delegates and Representatives of the ffreemen of the Province of Maryland in Assembly Convened Beg Leave to Embrace this our ffirst opportunity in the most humble manner to Congratulate your Maj-