

L. H. J.
Liber No. 47
December 9

On motion that an Address be prepared to his Excellency on his Speech, Ordered, That the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in the same.

Col. Robert Gordon, one of the Members of this House, and a Provincial Magistrate, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that Mr. Thomas King, Serjeant at Arms, and Mr. Thomas Sparrow, Door-keeper, took the Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and subscribed the Test, and severally took the following Oath of Office; viz.

You Thomas King do swear, that you will faithfully, diligently, and honestly discharge the Office of Serjeant at Arms to the Lower House of Assembly, and that you shall not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof. So help you God.

You Thomas Sparrow do swear, that you will faithfully, diligently, and honestly, discharge the Office of Door-keeper to the Lower House of Assembly, and that you shall not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof. So help you God.

Dr. Carroll, from the Committee of Laws, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that That Committee had made choice of Mr. Vachel Denton for Clerk; the House approves the Choice: Ordered, That he be qualified in the usual Manner.

Mr. Wootton, from the Committee of Accounts, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that That Committee had made choice of Mr. Beale Nicholson for Clerk; the House approves the Choice, and Ordered, That he be qualified in the usual Manner.

Mr. Wootton, from the Committee of Elections and Privileges, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that That Committee had made choice of Mr. Thomas Harwood for Clerk; the House approves the Choice, and Ordered, That he be qualified in the usual Manner.

The Governor communicates to Mr. Speaker the following Message; viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

The melancholy News of the Death of the Prince of Wales not arriving Time enough to be communicated to the last Assembly, you may not perhaps think it yet too late to join in a general Address to the King, expressing our great Grief and Sorrow on this ever to be lamented Occasion; and our Gratitude and Thankfulness to his Majesty, for his paternal Care and Goodness in providing for the general Safety of his Dominions, and the Security of the Protestant Religion, by establishing the Regency in the Hands of her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales, in case the Crown of these Realms should descend to any of the Issue of his late Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, before they shall attain the Age of Eighteen Years.

Sam. Ogle.