L. H. J. An Act to prevent the injuring Harbours within this Province, and Liber No. 47 October 16 for repealing the Act therein mentioned; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Charles Goldsborough, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, intituled, An Act continuing an Act intituled, An Act for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances, in the Prosecution of Suits at Law, and for continuing the Supplementary Act thereto; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill intituled, An Act for reducing the Allowances of the p. 277 Members of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly of this Province, and assessing the public Levy; was read the second Time and passed.

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Wednesday Morning, October 17, 1753.

The House met according to Adjournments, &c.

Capt. Addison, Major Ridgely, Mr. George, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Earle, and Mr. Govane; appeared in the House.

On motion, Leave given, to bring in a Bill, For the better order and regulating the Clergymen within this Province: Ordered, That the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

In Pursuance of the Order of the Day, the House proceeded to take into Consideration the Petition of Doctor Alexander Hamilton, and after an Examination of several Witnesses at the Bar; Ordered, That the same be taken into Consideration in the Afternoon.

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Bill intituled, An Act for amending the Roads, &c. was read and committed for Amendments.

Capt. John Gassaway, a Member returned to serve in this Assembly for Anne Arundel County, appeared in the House:

Ordered, That Doctor Carroll, and Major Hall, do go with Mr. Gassaway, to the Upper House, to see him qualified; They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they saw him take the Oaths to the Government, required by Law, subscribe the Oath of Abjuration, repeat and sign the Test.

The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

The Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants of St. Paul's Parish, in Baltimore County, praying Leave to bring in a Bill, To impower the Justices of Baltimore County aforesaid, to levy on the Taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish, the