Bills were severally read the first and second Time by an especial L. H. J. Liber No. 47 Order, and will pass.

July 23

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker an Answer of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, to the Address of this House viz.t

"To the Lower House of Assembly of Maryland

F Baltimore

London, April 17th 1754

Gentlemen of the Lower House I Return you my Sincerest Thanks for all your kind Congratulations to me

Your Care and Vigilance of the Rights of your Constituents are highly Commendable and your assured Regard to preserve my just Rights and properties must be very acceptable; I shall be ever ready to redress any just Complaints that you may (hereafter) think proper to lay before me.

I am greatly pleased to hear that my Governor, Mr. Sharpe is so very agreeable to you. I make no doubt that he will do all in his Power to continue to deserve the Great Encomiums you bestowed on him.

As I have always wished to promote the Trade and Prosperity of the Province of Maryland, I will take a proper opportunity to lay your petition before his Majesty's Board of Trade, and will use my best Endeavours towards the Completion thereof."

Mr. Tilghman, from the Committee of Laws, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill entituled, An Act continuing an Act entituled, An Act to prevent certain Evils and Inconveniences attending the Sale of strong Liquors, and running of Horse-Races, near the yearly Meetings of the People called Quakers, and to prevent the tumultuous Concourse of Negroes and other Slaves, during the said Meetings; and also one other Act entituled, An Act to amend and explain an Act entituled, An Act to prevent certain Evils and Inconveniences attending the Sale of strong Liquors, and running of Horse-Races, near the yearly Meetings of the People called Ouakers. and to prevent the tumultuous Concourse of Negroes and other p. 481 Slaves, during the said Meetings; which was read the first and second Time by an especial Order, and will pass.

The House adjourns till the morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.