L. H. J. Liber No. 48 July 2 On reading his Excellency's Message, Resolved, that an Address be prepared to his Excellency thereon: Ordered, that the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in such Address.

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

The Bill entituled, An Act to impower Anne Chambers, Widow, to sell and dispose of certain Lands, which Samuel Chambers, late of Anne-Arundel County, died possessed of, in Fee Simple, for Payment of his Debts, was read the second Time and will pass, and was sent to the Upper House, by Major Hall and Capt. Gassaway.

Mr. Charles Goldsborough, from the Committee of Laws, brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill entituled, An Act for securing the Western Frontier of this Province, against the Depredations of the French, and their Indian Allies; and also for paying and maintaining Couriers from Wills's-Creek to Annapolis, and back to Wills's-Creek; which was read the first and second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass, and was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Murdock and Mr. Reynolds.

On Motion, Resolved unanimously, that this House address his Excellency the Governor, to issue his Proclamation, commanding all Magistrates and other Officers, duly to execute the Penal Statutes, mentioned in the Statute of First of William and Mary Chap XVIII against the Roman Catholics or Papists, within this Province.

Ordered, That Dr. Carroll, Capt. Stoddert, Mr. John Goldsborough, Mr. Murdock, Col. Fitzhugh, and Mr. Charles Goldsborough, be a Committee to draw such Address, and that they do prepare and bring in the same accordingly.

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Thursday, July 3^d, 1755.

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

A Petition of St. Mary's White-Chapel Parish, in Dorchester County, praying Leave to bring in a Bill, To levy a Sum, not exceeding £350 on the Taxables of said Parish, at two Assessments, to build a Church in the said Parish, was Read and Granted.

Capt. Addison, from the Committee appointed for inspecting the Arms and Ammunition, and Accounts relating thereto, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that the Committee had made choice of John Duckett as Clerk to the said Committee, and desires to know if the House approves the Choice.

The House approved the Choice, and Ordered, that he do qualify as Clerk to the said Committee, in the usual Manner.