

For Talbot County,
Mr. John Goldsborough,
Mr. Samuel Bowman.

For Worcester County,
Col. John Scarborough,
Mr. Zadock Purnell.

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For Dorchester County,
Col. Henry Hooper,
Mr. Daniel Sulivane.

For Frederick County,
Capt. Joseph Chapline,
Mr. Edward Dorsey,
Col. Thomas Cresap.

A sufficient Number of Delegates, to compose a Lower House of Assembly, being convened at the Stadt-House, Mr. John Goldsborough, a Delegate returned to serve in this Assembly from Talbot County, and Col. Edward Tilghman, a Delegate returned to serve for Queen-Anne's County, attended on his Excellency the Governor, to acquaint him therewith. p. 2

Benedict Calvert, and Daniel Dulany, Esquires, from the Upper House, and Mr. John Ross, Clerk of the Council, came into the Stadt-House; in whose Presence the aforesaid Delegates took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and signed the Test.

Col. Hammond, and Col. Tasker, from the Upper House, acquaint the Members of this House, That the Governor requires their Attendance in the Upper House.

The Members of the Lower House went to the Upper House. His Excellency required them to return to the Lower House, and choose a Speaker.

They returned, and unanimously made Choice of Col. Henry Hooper, a Delegate of Dorchester County, to be their Speaker, and placed him in the Chair.

Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Goldsborough were sent to acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath made Choice of a Speaker.

Benedict Calvert, and Daniel Dulany, Esquires, from the Upper House, acquaint the Members of this House, That the Governor requires their Attendance in the Upper House, to present their Speaker.

The Members of the Lower House went to the Upper House, and presented (to the Governor) Colonel Henry Hooper, as their Speaker.

His Excellency gave his Approbation of their Choice; and made the following Speech, viz.

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly,

As many of you are already acquainted with what passed between [The speech beginning thus is printed in full in the Upper House Journal pp. 3-5]

Mr. Speaker (with the Rest of the Members) Returned to the Lower House; and Re-assumed the Chair.