

and the Council which sat as the Upper House, as completely as its predecessors had done.

The members of the Governor's Council, who, as such, also composed the Upper House, when the new Assembly met in October, 1738, were the Honorable Benjamin Tasker, Sr., (1690-1768) of Annapolis, since 1722 a member of the Council, and since 1727 its President, and who had served in 1752 and 1753 as Acting Governor; his son, Benjamin Tasker, Jr. (1720-1760) of Calvert County; Samuel Chamberlaine (1697-1773) of Talbot County; Colonel Charles Hammond (1692-1762) and Philip Thomas (1692-1762), both of Anne Arundel County; Benedict Calvert (1724-1788) of "Mount Airy", Prince George's County, natural son of Charles, Fifth Lord Baltimore, and half-brother of Frederick, Sixth Lord Baltimore, the present Lord Proprietary; Richard Lee (1705-1787) of Charles County; Daniel Dulany, the Younger, (1722-1797) of Frederick County, at that time the leading lawyer of the Province; Colonel Edward Lloyd (1711-1770) of "Wye", Queen Anne's County, Land Agent of the Proprietary, and since 1743 a member of the Council; William Goldsborough (1709-1760) of Talbot, and Robert Jenckins Henry (c. 1712-1766) of Somerset. Lloyd and Henry were frequently absent from meetings, and Goldsborough and Thomas were both then too ill to attend meetings and died not long afterward, as did Benjamin Tasker, Jr. The ability, industry, loyalty, and value to the proprietary interest of these several members of the Upper House and Council at this period are discussed in great detail in long letters from Sharpe to Frederick, Lord Baltimore, and to Secretary Cecilus Calvert, dated respectively May 23, and July 7, 1760 (*Arch. Md.* IX, 403-415, 423-435).

Some sixteen new members of the Lower House who had not been in the previous Assembly, were among those elected. The new members were Thomas Greenfield of St. Mary's County, William Waters of Somerset, James John Mackall and Colonel William Fitzhugh of Calvert County, Samuel Bowman and Captain Woolman Gibson of Talbot, Richard Gresham of Kent, Major Henry Travers and Charles Goldsborough of Dorchester, Major Benjamin Handy and Captain Zadock Purnell of Worcester, Josias Beall, Jr. of Prince George's, Colonel William Hopper and Thomas Harris of Queen Anne's, and Captain Henry Wright Crabb of Frederick.

In the Lower House nearly all the aggressive leaders of the popular or anti-Proprietary party in recent assemblies had been re-elected. We again find on all the leading committees, Charles Carroll, the Barrister, Colonel Edward Tilghman, Edward Dorsey, Philip Hammond, William Murdock, Robert Lloyd, and John Goldsborough. Conspicuous for its absence on the list of new members was the name of Matthew Tilghman of Talbot County, although he was to reappear later, when in 1760, he was chosen at a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Thomas Harris of Queen Anne's County. The leaders of the Proprietary party were the two members from the city of Annapolis, Dr. George Steuart and Walter Dulany. Steuart, so hated by the popular party, seems to have been the mouthpiece of the government in the house, and every effort, fair or foul, was to be taken to prevent his retaining his seat.