

Monday 22:^d October 1770

L. H. J.
Liber No. 54
Oct. 22

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Members were called and all appeared as on Saturday except M.^r Gantt, M.^r Contee, M.^r Deye and M.^r Key.

The Proceedings of Saturday were read.

M.^r Johnson and M.^r Wootton appeared in the House

M.^r Speaker communicated to the House a Letter, to him directed, signed C. Weisenthal, Which was ordered to be read; and it was read accordingly; and is as followeth

Honble Sir,

I was ordered to appear on Saturday next at the Barr of the Honble the Lower House of Assembly there to answer my signing a certain Petition &:^{ta} I am however extreemly sorry that it is out of my Power to shew my ready Obedience to the Comands of the hble House since my Absence from Town for the present might prove fatal to several Patients now dangerously ill in this Town. Therefore whatever Displeasure I may have had the Misfortune to incur, I can assure the whole House that I am to this Moment quite ignorant of the Contents of the said Petition having never had Time especially at the Time of Signature to read it, on Account of the Hurry. I am no leading Man of this Town, and it was a mere Accident that I signed it at all. As a Doctor I was desired by the Town to have my Deposition taken concerning the Small Pox then under my Hands, and this was the Motive which brought me into this Town Meeting. After the finishing of this Business the Petition was laid before me for signing, there, seeing so many respectable Names before me already signed and such Names of whom I as a Foreigner, must suppose that they know what ought to be done as they are Natives of this Country. If then I have, without Intention, and even without knowing it, done amiss, I most humbly make my Submission and beg the Honble House to overlook the Offense on the above recited Accounts

I am, with all due Respect Honble Sir,

To the Honble Edward Tilgh- Y.^r Mo. Obed.^t Hble Serv.^t
man Esq̄ Speaker of the C. Weisenthal
Honble the House of As- Balt. Town Octo. 18.th 1770
sembly in Annapolis

M.^r Tilghman brings in and delivers to M.^r Speaker a Bill entitled an Act for issuing Writs of Replevin out of the County Courts of this Province; which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table p. 115

M.^r Chase brings in and delivers to M.^r Speaker an Address to his Excellency; which was read, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed

William Hayward Esq̄ from the Upper House delivers to M.^r