The Governor communicated to M. Pspeaker the following Mes- L. H. J. sage.

Liber No. 54

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

I want Words to express my Thanks in the Form which your very obliging and Affectionate Address so amply Demands. Your generous Determination of transacting the Business which may come before you, with the Moderation I took the Liberty of recommending in my Speech at the Opening of this Session, will justly entitle you to the Esteem of your Sovereign, your Lord Proprietary, your Constituents, and your Governor.

Robert Eden.

M.r Goldsborough, from the Committee of Accounts, acquaints M. Speaker that they had made choice of Henry Gassaway, as Clerk to the Committees. The House approved the Choice, and Ordered him to be qualified.

M.r Reverdy Ghiselin certified to the House, that he had qualified John Duckett, as Clerk to the several Committees of the House, in the usual Manner.

The Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, and Church Wardens of Saint Pauls Parish, lying partly in Queen Anns, and partly in Talbot County; read a second Time, and granted.

Ordered, That M. E. Tilghman, M. Hollyday, M. Wright, and M.r N. Thomas, do prepare and bring in a Bill according to the Prayer of said Petition.

M.r Grahame appeared in the House, and added to the Committee appointed to inspect the Accounts and Proceedings of the Commissioners, appointed by virtue of the Act for the Payment of the Public Claims, for emitting Bills of Credit, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

The Petition of Peter Haldimand, read the second Time, and Leave given to bring in a Bill for his Naturalization, he producing a Certificate to the House, of his having received the Sacrament in some Protestant Congregation, and of his having taken the several Oaths to the Government prescribed by Law, and repeating and subscribing the Test, agreeable to the Directions of the Act of Parliament for the Naturalization of foreign Protestants in his Majesty's Plantations in America.

M.r Reverdy Ghiselin certified to the House that he had qualified Henry Gassaway, as Clerk to the several Committees of the House, in the usual Manner.

The Petition of John Scarborough, read the second Time, and granted. Leave given to bring in a Bill according to Prayer.

M.r Reverdy Ghiselin certified to the House, that he has qualified James Brooks, as a Committee Clerk in the usual Manner.