L. H. J. M. Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentle-Liber No. 54 man takes his Seat in the House

M. Hammond being sick hath Leave of Absence.

The House was moved that a Resolve of the Lower House of Assembly of the 22.d Day of November 1763, respecting Parish Petitions be read; and it was read accordingly

M. Wootton brings in and delivers to M. Speaker a Bill entitled An Act for vesting in such foreign Protestants as are now naturalized or shall be hereafter naturalized in this Province all the Rights and Privileges of natural born Subjects. Which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table

Ordered, That the Remonstrance of the Magistrates of Charles County which was referred from last Session to this Day be read; and it was read accordingly.

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On Motion, Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to aid the Defects in the Records of Charles County: And that M.^r Hall, M. Smallwood, M. Harrison, M. Ware, M. Hawkins and M. Tilghman do prepare and bring in the same

On Motion, Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices and to prevent Simoniacal Contracts: And that M.r Chase, M.r Allen, M.r Dennis, M. Hawkins, M. Tilghman and M. Hall do prepare and bring in the same

On Motion Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for issuing Writs of Replevin out of the County Courts of this Province: And that M.r Chase and M.r Tilghman do prepare and bring in the same

The House adjourns till To-Morrow Morning 9 O'Clock

Oct. 12

Saturday October 12.th 1771

The House met.

All Members present as on Yesterday except M. Hammond.

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

M.r Owings being indisposed hath Leave of the House to go Home.

The Bill for vesting in such foreign Protestants as are now naturalized or shall be hereafter naturalized in this Province all the Rights and Privileges of natural born Subjects was read a second Time and will pass

M. W. Thomas hath Leave of Absence for a few Days on his private Affairs

M. Thomas Wright, M. Gresham, M. Risteau and M. Moale have Leave of Absence till Monday next