

L. H. J.
Liber No. 54
Oct. 4

Friday October 4.th 1771

The House met.

All Members present as on Yesterday.

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read

M.^r Speaker communicates to the House a Letter from the Speaker of the House of Burgesses of Virginia accompanied with an Account of the Tonnage for Rappahanock; an Account of the Tonnage for South Potowmack; an Account of Tonnage for York River; An Account of Tonnage for the Upper District of James River; and an Account of the Tonnage for the lower District of James River.

Ordered, That the said Letter be read; and it was read accordingly

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie on the Table for the Perusal of the Members

M.^r Speaker reports to the House the following Certificate Ann Arundel County S.^{ct}

I hereby certify that on the 4.th Day of October 1771 came William Wright before me the Subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace for the said County & took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law subscribed the Oath of Abjuration repeated and signed the Text and took the following Oath Viz.^t "I William Wright do swear that I will true Entries make of all such Matters and Things as shall be to me directed by any Committee of the Lower House of Assembly for whom I shall act as Clerk and that I will not divulge the Secrets of the said House or of any Committee thereof but will in all Things well and truly demean myself according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge"

R. Ghiselin

M.^r Saint George Peale is appointed a Committee Clerk.

Ordered, That he be qualified.

The House being informed that M.^r William Smallwood a Delegate returned for Charles County was attending at the Door,

Ordered, That M.^r Harrison and M.^r Hawkins do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House to see him qualified.

They return and acquaint M.^r Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentleman takes his Seat in the House.

Information being given by a Gentleman from the Committee Accounts to the House that no Journal of Accounts nor any Duplicate thereof lay before the said Committee but that the Journal remained in the Upper House ever since the End of the first Session in November last A Motion was thereupon made that a Message be sent to the Upper House desiring them to send back the Journal