

Ordered that Capt. Philip Hopkins give notice to the Minister who is appointed Chaplain, to attend accordingly.

Reads Mr. Philip Clarke's petition.

Put to the Question whether the Sheriff of Ann Arundell County should be sent for before this House to shew by what power he detains Mr. Philip Clarke one of the members of this House from giving his attendance upon this House. Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered that Dan<sup>l</sup>. Cannon Seyeant attendant upon this House be sent to Mr. Richard Beard High Sheriff of Ann Arundell County and Summon him to appear before this House and that he bring with him all such papers whereby he detains the said Mr. Philip Clarke from his attendance as aforesaid.

The House adjourned till two of the clock.

God's dir.

The Seyeant attendant returns and brings in Mr. Richard Beard Sheriff of Ann Arundell County.

Mr. Speaker demands of Mr. Beard to produce before this House the precept by which he detains Mr. Philip Clarke one of the members of this House of Assembly from his attendance.

Mr. Beard informs them that he lies under Execution for the Sum of Six thousand pounds of Tobaccos at his Maty<sup>ty</sup> Suite, but for as much as the precept is in the hands of the under Sheriff, that he cannot at present produce the same, he humbly prayes time till to morrow morning to send for it.

Resolved thereupon that Mr. Beard have time untill to morrow morning to produce the same.

Resolved that there be a Committee appointed to draw up an address to his Ex<sup>ty</sup> the Gov<sup>r</sup> on the behalfe of Mr. Philip Clarke.

Mr. Mich<sup>l</sup>. Miller, Mr. Edw<sup>d</sup>. Lloyd, Major Thomas Smithson, Mr. Clotha Hall, Mr. Simon Millmore and Mr. John Hall are appointed and sent out a Committee to draw up the said address.

The House adjournes till to morrow morning seven of the clock.

Dies Martis Octo<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1698

The House mett againe and were called over, if Members wanting Yesterday were still wanting Precept Mr. Miller.

The House adjournes till to morrow morning eight of the clock.

Dies Martis Octo<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1698.

The House mett againe, and were called over, and were then absent Capt. Thomas Hauglop, Mr. W<sup>m</sup>. Jayland, Mr. Philip Clarke, Major John Lowe Mr. Thomas Scale, Capt. Richard Hill, Mr. George Affman, Mr. W<sup>m</sup>. Hensley, Mr. Francis Jenkins, Mr. John Profman, Mr. Walter Lane, and Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Collins.