

for payment of Rents for Orphan Lands in their Minority by the persons in whose hands the same is.

And proposed that for as much as this Province at this time have good supplies of arms that a Law be made for cleansing preserving and keeping them in good repair.

That a Law be made for Steniant Judges within this Province &c. and for advance^t of Money for payment of Seavoyes heretofore in the House of Delegates Moved.

all which said proposals are referred to further Consideration till Monday Morning.

The petition of Peter Scampes of Prince Georges County foreign^r and John DeBenter of Baltimore County foreign^r for Naturalization was here granted and is referred to the Committee of Laws to prepare a bill for that purpose.

Ordered that Mr. John LeCompt withdraw the House whilst the Report of the Committee of Elections and Priviledges is Debating.

The Committee thereupon Entered the House and makes their report as followeth.

May it please Your self

We whose names are under written of the Committee for Enquiring into Elections and Priviledges inobedience to an Order of this Honble House have Examined the pretious Complaint of the Inhabitants and Freeholders of Dorchester County referred to us by this Honble House complaining of an undue Returne Made of John LeCompt to Serve as a Delegates for that County in this present Generall Assembly.

It appears to us upon the Returne Made by Jacob Loocheman high Sher^{iff} of the said County that John LeCompt had the Surplus of two votes but upon the examination of the pole in presence of the Sher^{iff} and John Taylor Complain^t in behalfe of the said County it doth appear to us that four persons ought to be struck of the pole list which was taken in favour of John LeCompt and it also appears to us by the Evidence of the said Sher^{iff} that two persons ought to be struck of the pole list which was taken in favour of John Taylor that was Candidate and both up agst John LeCompt, there is also one Morris Brice who gave his Vote for John Taylor and was allowed by the Sher^{iff} at the time of Election and put into the list but now at this time at a more strict searching Made into the list the said Sher^{iff} in his own vindication, doth asert that the said Brice was not qualified to vote but on the other hand the said John Taylor the said Candidate and Complainant did offer upon oath that the said Brice was questioned at the time of the seating Made at the Election, and that Mr. Edmonson did give such satisfaction