

And likewise Resolved that there be no more Comities in the
vacancy of Assembly;

As to another Message of the same day (relating to an additional
Duty of 3^d p^{ts} h^{ts} &c: It is Resolved that a bill be prepared for advancement
of an additional duty towards Defraying the publick Charge of this Province
sent up to his Ex^{ty} and Council by Mr Rob^t Bradley and Mr Thomas
Hammonds, they returned and say they have delivered the same.

The Committee of Elections and Priviledges enters the house and Reports
as followeth

That they having inspected into the Election of the severall
Counties and City of S^t Marys, viz^t

The City of S^t Marys, viz^t the County of Charles, the County of
Baltimore, the County of Talbot, the County of Somerset, the County
of Dorchester, the County of Prince Georges, the County of Cecil, the County
of Kent the County of Ann Arundell, and the County of Calvert,
doe find the City and County Elections, viz^t to be due Elections and
the persons fitt to sitt in the House of Assembly excepting Mr John Secompt
of Dorchester County who hath been already offered to the Consideration
of the house.

After some debate in the house concerning the matter referred
to the Consideration it was Resolved that Mr Jⁿ Secompt was duly
returned as a Burgess for Dorchester County.

Upon reading the petition of Maf^r Mr Barton for imprisonment
fees of an Indian. It is Resolved that Prince Georges County make
satisfaction of the Sheriffs fees to Mr Barton otherwise the said Indian
man doe imprisoned make satisfaction by the servitude to be
adjudged by the Justice of the said County.

The Honble Tho^s Tench Esq. Coll^o John Addison James Grisby Esq^r
and Coll^o John Hammond entered the house and Delivered the
following Bills

Bill for Speedy obtaining Execution &c: } asserted to by his Ex^{ty}
Ordinance about Indian Lands. } the Gov^r and Council.
And another Bill to encourage Importation of Coyne Likewise bro^{gt}
into th^e house with his Ex^{ty} Remarckes thereupon

Which being read the said bill is rejected.

A Bill for laying an importacion of 3^d p^{ts} h^{ts} upon Tob^o: read the first
time and ordered to be read againe to Morrow Morning

voted whether this act shall Indure for two or more yeares,
Carryed by Majority of voices the same Indure for three yeares
and to the end of the next Sessions of Assembly which shall happen
after the end of the said three yeares.

A Bill for preventing the abuses of Horse Stealers, read and referred