

Being called over were present as yesterday except Mr. Colgate who had leave to go home. Read what was done on Saturday.

Upon reading the Message from the Honble Council by Samuel Young Esq. on Saturday relating to Talbot County Court House this House concur with the Proposal of the Honble Council and ordered that on the first Monday in April next coming Mr. Matthew Sighman Ward, Mr. Robert Ungle and Mr. John Dawson or any one of them attend at the Town of Oxford to take the Names of all such Persons Inhabitants of Talbot County qualified to elect Delegates, as are for continuing the Court House at Oxford, and that Mr. Tho. Robins, Mr. James Loyd and Doctor Bullen or any one of them at the same Time attend at Little Bridge and take Names of such Inhabitants as aforesaid as are for removing the Court House to the Center of Talbot County, and that they return the Lists by them taken close sealed up under their Hands to this House the next Session of Assembly for Consideration.

Bill directing the Manner of electing & summoning Delegates &c. Read the 2^d Time with the Indorsement from the Honble Council and ordered to be indorsed as follows. — By the House of Delegates December 13th 1700

The within Bill read again with the Indorsement from the Honble Council and the House humbly pray that the Bill may pass this present Session, and if the Honble Council have any Amendments or additional Clauses to add thereto, this House is ready to hear and receive the same. Signed by Order Rich^d. Dallam

Ad. Ho. Det.

Sent up to the Honble Council by Mr. West and Mr. Wright

They return and say they delivered the same

The Committee of Accounts enters the House and delivers Mr. Speaker their Journal which is ordered to be read and being debated and considered. Ordered they return again to their Committee and take off the Charge to the Secretary and others for Copy of the Laws and Journals &c. it being the Opinion of the House the Secretary by Virtue of his Instructions from the Lords Comrs. of Trade and Plantations ought to do the same *ex Officio* her Majesty having given him the Profits of the Provincial Court Office and the rents of the Clerk's Fees in the County Courts to maintain his Office, and the House resolved that the Public pay for none for the future.

Samuel Young Esq. from the Honble Council enters the House and delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill directing the Manner of electing and summoning Delegates &c. Indorsed as followeth By the Council in Assembly December 13th 1700 This Board being not yet agreed on what Method may be prescribed to oblige all the Freeholders of each County to appear at their respective Elections one more desire the House will not insist on this Bill this present Session

Signed by Order W. Bladen &c.