

Upon due Inspection made in the Indenture returned for Mr John Bruce a Delegate for Ann Arundel County we find the said John Bruce not duly elected by Reason the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County denied the Persons electing for Maj^r Hammond a Poll when legally demanded. All which is humbly referred to the Consideration of the Honble House of Delegates. Signed & Order J^r Beale
Which being read the House concurred therewith. Thereupon Ordered that the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County appear next Session to answer for his Default. Resolved Warrant issue to Mr Secretary to send a new writ for Election of a Member to serve for the said County in the Room of the said John Bruce returnable next Session of Assembly.

Ordered the several Addresses be annexed to this Journal at the latter End
Resolved That if the Sheriff of Kent County has not proceeded for the Election of three Members, to serve in this Assembly upon the writ to him directed for want of Justice and Clerk to hold a Court they being attending on this House by Virtue of an Order of the 7th Instant which was about the Time appointed for the said Election, that then he give due Notice to the Inhabitants of the County and proceed to Election of three Members by Virtue of the same Writs and make Return thereof next Session of Assembly. A Copy whereof was made and signed by the Clerk of the House and delivered to Mr Daniel Pearce who is desired to give the same to the Sheriff.

Ordered the following Message be sent to the Council Viz^t

By the House of Delegates November 16th 1709
Before the Accounts of the Itinerant Justices was laid before this House for Allowance the Journal of the Committee of Accounts was completed, and this House have Resolved to refer the Consideration of the Allowance of the said Accounts till the next Session of Assembly

Sent up to the Council by Mr Robins. He returns and says he delivered the same.

The following Message Ordered to be indorsed on the Back of the Bills for Towns

By the House of Delegates November 16th 1709

This House conceive there is an absolute Necessity for this Bill to pass for the Reasons following.

- 1 There is no Town laid out in Cecil County nor on Chesapeake Bay in Calvert County whereby the Inhabitants are debarred of all Manner of Trade.
- 2 Most of the Counties want Prisons
- 3 Talbot, Baltimore and other Counties want Court Houses
- 4 Calvert County Court House stands not in a Town and therefore this House prays the Honble Councils Concurrence to this Bill. Signed & Order M^r Taylors Sec^y

Sent up to the Honble Council by Mr Eccleston and Mr Storey
They return and say they delivered the same—

(John Haller)