

to them and that in any Thing he shall deliver in the Name of the Delegates if he shall commit any Error no Fault may be imputed to the Delegates but that he may resort to them again for Declaration of their true Intent and that his Error may be pardoned.

And lastly as often as Necessity for his Majesty's Service and the publick Good of this Province shall require it he may by the Direction of the House of Delegates have full Access to his Excellency. All which his Excellency was pleased to grant and confirm. And then his Excellency was pleased to make a favourable Speech. After which the Speaker with the Rest of the Delegates returned and the Speaker resumed the Chair.

Thereupon the House made Choice of Thomas Macnamara for their Clerk and Ordered Mr. Benjamin Tashor and Mr. Thomas Holdsworth go and present him to his Excellency the Gov^r for his Approbation and to see him qualified by taking the usual Oaths. They return and say that his Excellency approved of the Choice chosen and that he is duly qualified.

Resolved That this House will sit to do Business during this Session from Eight O'clock in the Morning till Eleven and from One in the Afternoon till five. Ordered that his Excellency's Speech be entered as follows Viz:

Gentlemen of the Assembly,

Upon the earliest Notice I had of his Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown I have called you together to consult the Good of this Province and to complete what was so well begun in the last Assembly but interrupted by the Death of our late Queen of glorious Memory. I am persuaded I cannot open this Session with any Thing more grateful (to a People who have already distinguished their Joy) than by congratulating you on the auspicious Occasion of his Majesty King George his being so peaceably seated on the Throne of his Ancestors.

The Serenity with which he has long governed his Subjects in Germany the Defences that is paid his consummate Judgment by all the Princes of Europe are strong Indications how happy a People we may be under the Influence of one of the greatest as well as one of the best of Kings that ever swayed the British Scepter.

Our Religion is secured in his Royal Person not by the Effect of a refined Policy but by an exemplary Practice of the Truth and Purity of his Principles.

Who can doubt our Laws will be maintained and our