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Sent up to the House Council by Mr. Dousby, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Clayton & Mr. Taylor.  
They return and say they delivered the same  
Colo. Whittington from the House Council delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message vj.  
By his Excellency the Govr: and Council in Assembly May the 3<sup>d</sup> 1715.  
Upon reading the Petition of Daniel Philips the surviving Executor of Colo. Harry Fletcher  
late of Calvert County deceased with your Recommendation in the Petitioner's favour  
several new facts being observed to be alluded in the said Petition and Mr. Thomas  
Mannering who is at present attending upon your House as Clerk thereof being chiefly  
concerned for the Return or Prosecution of the Navigation Bond mentioned in the said  
Petition we desire you will give the said Mr. Mannering Leave to attend his Board  
to Morrow Morning at Eleven of the Clock when the said Petition will be again read  
here.

Signed & Order of Bladen Clerk of the Council

Whereupon Leave is given the said Thomas Mannering to attend on the Council  
Board to Morning about Eleven of the Clock about the above Matter.

Mr. Bernard White is appointed Clerk Assistant to the Clerk of this House as is  
to be allowed for his Attendance from the Beginning of the Sessions.

The House adjourns till One O'Clock in the Afternoon.

Tuesday Afternoon

The House met again according to Adjournment Present as in the morning.

The Petitions of Samuel Chambers and Thomas Larkin are referred to the Committee  
of Laws to examine the Truth of the Allegations in the said Petitions, and to  
hear all Parties concerned and make a Report thereon with all convenient speed.

Colo. John Marshall from the Committee of Elections and Privileges delivers Mr. Speaker  
the Report of the Committee on the Petition of some of the Inhabitants of Dorchester County  
complaining of the undue Election of Mr. John Hodson a Delinquent returned for Dorchester  
County which was referred by the House to the Committee for Examination, which Report  
is as follows vj.

By the Committee of Elections and Privileges May the 3. 1715

We of the Committee upon hearing the Allegations as well of the Petitioners as the Sheriff  
in his Defence in Relation to the Promises within mentioned and by taking the Decks  
of several Evidences to us produced, which is herewith annexed, do find the within  
named Mr. John Hodson to be duly elected Signed & Order  
John Marshall Clerk

With which Report the House concurs and wherefore it is Resolved Nominis coram  
That the said John Hodson is duly elected according to Law.