for

Cecill County

Mr Mathias Vandebyden
L. Coll Ephraim Augs. Herman
Capt. James Fisby
Majr John Ward

Dorchester County.

Mr. John Braunock
Mr. Peter Taylor

Prince Georges County

Mr. Robert Tyler
Mr James Addison
Majr John Bradford

Queen Annis County

Majr John Hawkins
Mr Charles Wright
Mr Edward Wright
Mr. William Turbutt

Whereupon Mr. Tyler Coll Markall and Mr. Joseph Hill are sent up to the upper House to acquaint his Excellency the Governr that a Sufficient number of members is Convened in the Lott House

They returne and say they acquainted his Excellency thereof Thomas Brooke Esqr. Coll Thomas Addison and Lt. Coll Richard Tilghman with William Bladen Esqr. Clerk of the upper House of Assembly Vidor the House by a Dedimus to them Directed bearing Teste the day of April Instant and the said Councillors and Clerk Administred the Oaths of Allegiance Supremacy and Abjuration to all the Members and see them severally Subscribe the said Oaths of Abjuration and the Test and then withdrew

Mr Tyler Coll Ward Coll Markall and Mr. Joseph Hill are sent to acquaint his Excellency that a Sufficient number of Members is mett and qualified to make a House and is ready to wait his Excellency's Comands

Thomas Brooke Esq. and Coll William Coursey from the upper House acquaint the Delegates that his Excellency Commands them Immediately to attend him in the upper House

The House accordingly went to attend his Excellency in the upper House

Where his Excellency was pleased to Command them to returne to their own House Immediately to make Choice of a Speaker

After which the said members returned and there unanimously made choice of Coll Mathew Tilghman Ward a member returned to serve as a Delegate for Talbott County for their Speaker to him his place disabled him selfe to undergoe so weighty a Charge and Earnestly desired them to proceed to a New Choice — to which being denied and he placed in the Chair — then he prayed they might give him leave to disable himselfe to his Excellency

After which Coll Philip Hoskins and Capt. Todd are sent to acquaint his Excellency that the Delegates have made Choice of their Speaker and to know of him his Excellency will have him presented for approbation they returne and say they acquainted his Excellency thereof

Whereupon Lt. Coll Young and Coll Addison from the upper House acquaint the Delegates that his Excellency Commands them to go and their Speaker before him in the upper House

Whereupon the House repaired to his Excellency as aforesaid and presented Coll Mathew Tilghman Ward for their Speaker to his Excellency the Governr whereto the said Mr. Speaker Dutifully and Rationally addressing himselfe to his Excellency offered Severall reasons disabling him from so Great a Station, and therefore made humble Suit to his Excellency to be discharged, and that his Excellency will be pleased to Command the Delegates to make choice of an abler person with whom his Excellency would not wayes admit of, being well Satisfied of the Skill and Knowledge

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