

to the Upper House by Capt. Mather, Capt. Pollard, Mr. Alexander  
Warfield Mr. Prentiss Mr. Taylor & Capt. Balch.

They return and say they deserved it

Ordered the following Message before said trip

By the Lower House of Assembly A. S. 9. 30<sup>th</sup> 1718.  
May it please your Hon<sup>r</sup>.

In Answer to yours (the p<sup>t</sup> of 16<sup>th</sup> instant) by  
Capt. Holland and three more with his Excy<sup>r</sup> Speech to the Clergy and  
then addess to him thereon - We gratefully acknowledge the late his  
Excy<sup>r</sup> had always express'd for the Benefit and advantage of the Church  
Establishment by law Amongst us begg leave to advise his Excellency Your  
Honours that whensoever the several Clergy shall be pleased to lay  
before us their Representation for the Advancement of that Holy Religion  
we professe we shall proceed to do them what may be reasonably  
expected from true Members of that Church, with a just regard had to  
the Constitution of the Country we represent.

Signed for the Mie: Jno: Jenifer Esq<sup>r</sup> C<sup>o</sup> Co:

Which was sent to the Upper House by Mr. Dace, Capt. Fisby, Capt. -  
Fendall W. Richard Warfield, Capt. Dallalide & Major Emerson.

They return and say they deserved it

The petition of the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the City of  
Annapolis was read & referred till to morrow morning. And  
Ordered the persons concerned appear before this house -

The writ of election issued this Session to the City of Annapolis  
for the electing a Member in the room of W<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Tasker was  
returned to this house whereby it appears that John Beale Esq<sup>r</sup>  
is elected for the said City -

Whereupon the said Beale appears in this House -

Ordered that W<sup>t</sup> Hill and Capt. Fisby go with y<sup>r</sup> said Beale to the  
Councell Chamber to see him qualified by taking the several Oaths  
etc - They return and say they see him qualified -

Whereupon the said John Beale Esq<sup>r</sup> took his place accordingly  
in this house -

Ordered that John Beale Esq<sup>r</sup> be added to the Committee of Accounts  
in the room of Major Bradford who is gone home -

Resolved that no petitions be read into this house after  
to morrow -

The Petition of Thomas Reynolds is further referred till  
Friday next and resolved it shall then be determined -

W<sup>t</sup> Richard Warfield is added to the Committee of Elections  
and Privileges -

Capt. Holland, Capt. Dace and Esq<sup>r</sup> Lloyd from the Upper House -