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Beechill County
Mr. William Dair.

Queen Anne's County
City of Annapolis

Ordered, that Col^o. Marshall and Mr. Tyler go to the Upper House to acquaint His Excellency that a Sufficient Number of Members are meet to make an House.

They return and say they delivered their Message. Col^o. Holland from the Upper House acquaints Mr. Speaker, that it being too late for that House to attend His Excellency they may proceed on such business as Lays before them.

The House adjourns till tomorrow Morning Eight a Clock.

Wednesday April 6th 1720.

The House meet according to adjournment. Present as Yesterday.

Ordered that the Secretary prepare Writs of Election.

To the Sheriff of St. Mary's County for the electing a Delegate to serve in the room of Col^o. Henry Peregrine Towles Deceased.

To the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis for the electing two Members in stead of Thomas Bordley and John Beal Esq^r. who since last Assembly are removed, the former to be a Member of the Councille the latter to be Clerk to the Councille.

To the Sheriff of Cha. County for the electing a Member in the stead of John Parry deceased.

To the Sheriff of Beechill County for the electing a Member in the stead of Capt. James Grisby Deceased.

To the Sheriff of Baltimore County for the electing a Delegate in the stead of Col^o. James Phillips Deceased.

To the Sheriff of Talbot County for the electing a Delegate in the stead of Major Emerson who is dead since he came to this Province.

Col^o. Young from the Upper House acquaints Mr. Speaker that His Excellency requires him and the whole House to attend him immediately in the Councille Chamber.

Thereupon Mr. Speaker with the whole House went to the upper House, where His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech,
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Gentlemen, of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly
By a Special Instruction from the Right Honourable the Lords Guilford and Proprietor dated in London on the 23rd March 1718 the Assembly of this Province stands Prorogued to this present Month of April, and tho' I am not honoured with their Lordships reason for this unusual Method of Prorogation, yet I am persuaded they must have been Extraordinary and as I have not their Lordships Commands further to prorogue you, it seems to be their determined pleasure, you should meet at this their appointed time.

Therefore use the opportunity which in all probability will be the