

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; from the Committee of Laws, brought in an Address to the Governor, and read the same in his Place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Board; which was read and approved of, and Ordered to be ingrossed.

The Petition of *John James Cklog*, of the City of *Annapolis*, praying Leave to bring in a Bill for his Naturalization, was read, and granted, on his taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law.

The Petition of *Daniel Hall*, Prisoner in *Cecil County Goal*, praying Release, was read, and granted.

The Petition of *Thomas Thackston*, of *Kent County*, praying Leave to bring in a Bill, to ascertain the Boundaries of a Tract of Land, called *Webley*, was read, and rejected.

The House adjourns till Two of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Friday Afternoon, August 20, 1731.

The House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all present as in the Morning.

*Mr. Walter Smith*, Major *Adderton Skinner*, and Capt. *Thomas Waughop*, appeared in the House this Afternoon.

The Question was put, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House, during this Session, be printed? Resolved in the Affirmative.

The Question was put, Whether *Mr. Parks* be allowed 100 lb. Tobacco per Day, for Printing the Votes, or 75 lb. Tobacco? Resolved, That he be allowed 100 lb. Tobacco.

*Mr. Samuel Hanson*, from the Committee of Laws, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Bill, Entituled, *An Act for Revising an Act, for the Tryal of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties where they have arisen, or shall arise, the Continuance of Causes in the Provincial Court, and the Adjournment of that Court; with the Supplementary Act thereto*: Which Bill was read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; from the Committee of Laws, delivered to Mr. Speaker the Address of this House to His Excellency, ingrossed; which is as follows:

To His Excellency BENEDICT LEONARD CALVERT, Esq; Governor of MARYLAND.

The humble ADDRESS of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY.

May it please Your Excellency,

WE His Majesty's most Dutiful and Loial Subjects, the Representatives of the Freemen of *Maryland*, in Assembly convened, return Your Excellency Our hearty Thanks, for Your Notice of the languid State of Our Trade, and kind Recommendation of it, to Our serious Consideration; which We shall endeavour to take, in the best Manner We are capable of; being convinced, that it is a Matter of the last Consequence to Our Country, and therefore deserves the greatest Attention.

AS Your Excellency has been pleased to mention and communicate to Us, Two Queries, sent to Your Excellency by the Lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantations, and to desire Our Advice and Information thereon; nothing shall be wanting within Our Power and Knowledge, to make such a Representation to Your Excellency, in Answer to those Queries, as the important Relation of them to this Country requires. But We beg Leave to take Notice, that We conceive, the Officers of the several Districts can contribute, by