

Monday Morning, August 12, 1745.

THE House met according to Adjournment. All Members present as on Saturday, except Col. *Henry*, and Capt. *Addison*. The Proceedings of Saturday were Read.

Mr. *Osborn Sprigg*, a Member returned for *Prince-George's County*, appears in the House. X

Mr. *Wootton*, and Mr. *Smallwood*, are sent to the Upper House to see him qualified: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they saw him qualified, by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, signing the Oath of Abjuration, and repeating and signing the Test. The Gentleman takes his Seat in the House.

Resolved, That the Serjeant at Arms acquaint Mr. *William Rogers*, Mayor of the City of *Annapolis*, that this House requires his immediate Attendance. X

Mr. *Rogers* appearing at the Bar of the House,

Mr. Speaker delivered himself in the following manner:

THIS House, after a full Enquiry into the Merits of the Election for the City of *Annapolis*, have found and resolved, That Dr. *George Steuart* was not duly Elected: They have likewise found and resolved, That Mr. *Stephen Bordley* is duly Elected; and therefore ought to have been Returned: And have accordingly sent for you, as being the principal Member of this Corporation, to regulate the Return, by erasing the Name of Dr. *George Steuart*, and inserting in it's Place the Name of *Stephen Bordley*, who is the Person you ought at first to have mentioned therein: And you are by this House Ordered to do it accordingly.

In pursuance whereof, the Return was, by the said Mayor, altered accordingly. X

Capt. *Gordon*, and Dr. *Carroll*, are sent to the Upper House, with Mr. *Bordley*, to see him qualified: They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they saw him qualified, by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, signing the Oath of Abjuration, and repeating and signing the Test. The Gentleman takes his Seat in the House.

Mr. *Bordley* added to the Committee of Laws.

On Motion of a Member, that the Governor be Address'd, to acquaint this House what kind of Security is given by the several Naval Officers, for such Sums of Money as they collect by virtue of Acts of Assembly of this Province;

Ordered, That Mr. *George*, Mr. *Stoughton*, & Mr. *Bordley*, prepare the same.

The House adjourns to 2 of the Clock.

Post Meridiem

The House met according to Adjournment.

On Motion of a Member, that a Bill be brought in for the better Regulating of Elections; Leave given, and Ordered, that the Committee of Laws prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. *Stoughton* brings in the Address to his Excellency, which was Read, Approved of, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

The following ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governor, viz.

To his Excellency THOMAS BLADEN, Esq; Governor of Maryland;
The Humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

WE beg leave to represent to your Excellency, that as the several Naval Officers of this Province, do, by virtue of sundry Acts of Assembly, collect large Sums of Money for the Use of the Publick, we pray your Excellency will be pleased to acquaint us whether they give any Bond for the due Execution of their Trusts in such their Offices, and if any, where lodged: As also to cause the same, or authentic Copies thereof, to be laid before this House.

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