

said *John Smith Prather* is duly elected. And Ordered, That Mr. Chairman do report the same to the House.

The House concurs with the aforesaid Report, without a Division.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do acquaint Mr. *Daniel Dulany*, that he is dismissed from any further Attendance on this House; which Mr. Speaker accordingly did.

Ordered, That the Sheriff of *Frederick* County be called to the Bar of this House, to erase out the Name of *Daniel Dulany, junior*, Esq; mentioned in the Indenture annexed to the Writ of Election returned by him, and insert therein the Name of *John Smith Prather*, Gentleman; which the Sheriff accordingly did.

Ordered, That Mr. *John Smith Prather* be acquainted to make his Appearance in the House. Mr. *John Smith Prather* appears in the House.

*The House adjourns until Tomorrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.*

Friday Morning, June 9, 1749.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as yesterday. The Proceedings of yesterday were read.

It being moved, at the Request of *Henry Moore*, of *Charles* County, Gentleman, that his Petition be referred for Consideration next Assembly, the same is referred accordingly.

On considering the Report from the Committee of Elections and Privileges, the Sheriff of *Kent* County was ordered to attend at the Bar of this House; and being interrogated wherefore he did not return the Writ of Election to him lately directed, for the choosing of four Delegates to serve in this present Assembly, makes it appear, that after the said Writ had been by him duly published, and a Time appointed thereby when the Election for the said County should be proceeded on, he delivered the same Writ to one of his Under Sheriffs; who, before the Day of the said Election, had accidentally mislaid it, and that it had not since been found: The Sheriff was ordered to withdraw.

Resolved, That the said Writ of Election for *Kent* County was duly executed by the Sheriff of the said County, and that the sitting Members are duly elected.

The Sheriff of *Dorchester* County was ordered to attend at the Bar of this House: Mr. Speaker acquainted him, that it is the Order of this House, that he do indent, at the Bar of the House, the several Instruments in Writing returned with the Writ of Election; and affix his Seal to one of them, which he had omitted to do: The Sheriff accordingly indented and affixed his Seal to the before-mentioned Instruments, and was ordered to withdraw.

The Sheriff of *Calvert* County having acquainted Mr. Speaker by Letter, that he was incapable, by Sickness, to attend according to Order of this House, his Excuse was admitted.

Ordered, That his Deputy Sheriff do attend at the Bar of this House; which he accordingly did. Mr. Speaker acquainted him, that it was the Order of the House, that, on Behalf of the High Sheriff of *Calvert* County, he, as his Deputy, do indent the several Instruments in Writing, returned with the Writs of Election for said County, which the High Sheriff had