

On motion that a Bill be brought in, to divide the Inspection Office at *Bruff's, Old Field Landing, and Emerson's*, Leave is given: *Ordered*, That the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

Capt. Bond, Major Barnes, and Mr. Mills, Delegates elected to serve in this Assembly for *St. Mary's County*, appeared in the House. *Ordered*, That *Mr. Murdock and Mr. Sullivan* do go with those Gentlemen to the Upper House, to see them qualified: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that those Gentlemen took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and subscribed the Test.

The Gentlemen took their Seats in the House.

Mr. Denton, Mr. Nicholson, and Mr. Harwood, severally produced a Certificate to the Clerk of the House, from *Mr. John Brice*, a Provincial Magistrate, that they had taken the Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and subscribed the Test, and the following Oath of Office; *viz.*

You do swear, that as Clerk to the Committee of
you shall true Entries make of all such Matters and Things, as by this Com-
mittee, for the Time being, shall be to you directed; the Secrets of the said
Committee you shall not divulge, to the Prejudice of the said Committee, or
any Member thereof; but shall in all Things, as Clerk to the said Commit-
tee, well and truly demean yourself, according to the best of your Knowledge.
 So help you God.

A Petition and Representation of *Henry Baker*, on Behalf of himself and the Freeholders of *Wicomico County*, complaining and setting forth, that an undue Election for the said County, in Favour of *Mr. Michael Earle*, was obtained by him the said *Michael, &c.* was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns until Tomorrow Morning at 10 of the Clock.

Tuesday Morning, December 10, 1751.

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

Col. Hooper, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker an Address to his Excellency; which was read, approved, and ordered to be Ingrossed.

Benedict Calvert, Esq. from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of the Inhabitants of the lower Part of *Kent County*, praying that a Bill may pass into a Law, to divide *Towley's and Langsford Bay* Warehouses; Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly: Read, and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House." Which was here read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Philip Key, a Delegate returned to serve in this Assembly for *St. Mary's County*, appeared in the House. *Ordered*, That *Capt. Bond and Major Barnes* do go with *Mr. Key* to the Upper House to see him there qualified: They returned, and acquainted Mr. Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner.

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