

Wilkins had taken the Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and subscribed the Test, and took the following Oath of Office :

You William Wilkins do swear, that as Clerk to the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice, you shall true Entries make of all such Matters and Things, as by that Committee, 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 Committee, well and truly demean yourself, according to the best of your Knowledge. So help you God.

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

The Governor communicates to *Mr. Speaker* the following Message; *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,
THE Letters, which I now send you from *Col. Cresap* and *Mr. Gist*, relate to Matters of such Consequence to the Peace and Safety of the Country, and especially the Borders, that I doubt not you will consider them in such manner as may prevent any further Complaints from that Quarter.
 It may be proper to acquaint you, that the Government of *Virginia* being alarmed with an Account of some Mischief done by the *Indians* on their Frontiers, the President of that Colony has appointed a Commissioner to meet the *Indians* in *May* next, for Redress of the past, and Prevention of future Disorders: And also I send you what I have received as a Copy of the President's Speech to the *Indians*, on the Subject of their Outrages.
 S A M. O G L E.

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

Wednesday Morning, December 11, 1751.

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

Mr. Wootton, from the Committee of Elections and Privileges, delivers to *Mr. Speaker* the following Report; *viz.*

By the Committee of Elections and Privileges, December 9, 1751.
YOUR Committee having inspected the Writs directed to the several Sheriffs, and Returns thereon, for electing Deputies and Delegates to serve in this General Assembly; Do find,
 That *Mr. Zachariah Bend*, *Mr. Abraham Barnes*, *Mr. James Mills*, and *Mr. Philip Key*, Delegates of *St. Mary's* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. Edward Sprigg*, *Mr. Turner Wootton*, *Mr. John Addison*, and *Mr. William Murdock*, Delegates of *Prince George's* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. Daniel Dulany, junior*, *Mr. Nathan Magruder*, *Mr. Henry Wright Crabb*, and *Mr. Joseph Chaplin*, Delegates of *Frederick* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. James John Mackall*, *Mr. Benjamin Mackall, junior*, *Mr. Thomas Reynolds*, and *Mr. Edward Gaunt*, Delegates of *Calvert* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. Thomas Worthington*, *Mr. Philip Hammond*, *Mr. Charles Carroll*, and *Mr. Henry Hall*, Delegates of *Anne Arundel* County, are returned; but no Certificate appears to be indorsed by the Sheriff on the said Writ:
 That *Mr. Robert Gordon*, and *Mr. Walter Dulany*, of the City of *Annapolis*, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. William Govans*, *Mr. Thomas Franklin*, *Mr. Charles Ridgely*, and *Mr. Lloyd Buchanan*, Delegates of *Baltimore* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. Michael Earle*, *Mr. Benjamin Pearce*, *Mr. Sidney George*, and *Mr. Nicholas Hyland*, Delegates of *Cecil* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. John Goldsborough*, *Mr. Pollard Edmonson*, *Mr. Matthew Tilghman*, and *Mr. Edward Oldham*, Delegates of *Talbot* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. Thomas Wilkinson*, *Mr. John Tillotson*, *Mr. William Hopper*, and *Mr. James Hollyday*, Delegates of *Queen Anne's* County, are duly returned:
 That *Mr. Daniel Salivans*, *Mr. Ennalls Hooper*, *Mr. Charles Goldsborough*, and *Mr. Henry Hooper*, Delegates of *Dorchester* County, are duly returned:
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