

Monday Morning, October 15, 1753.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c. all appeared as on Saturday, except Mr. *Rafin*, Mr. *Gresham*, Mr. *Reynolds*, Mr. *J. Goldsborough*, Mr. *Edmondson*, Mr. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Govane*, Major *Ridgely*, Mr. *Pearce*, Capt. *Addison*, Mr. *Murdock*, Capt. *Hopper*, and Mr. *Tillotson*.

Col. *Hooper*, from the Committee of Laws, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that a Clerk Assistant, to the Clerk of that Committee, was wanting, for the Expediting the public Business, and that if the House thought proper to allow thereof, That Committee had made Choice of Mr. *Stephen Bordley*, junr. as such: The House approved the Choice, and ordered that the said Clerk be qualified by taking the Oaths to the Government and Oath of Office, in the usual Manner.

The following Certificate was lodged with the Clerk of the House, viz.

October 15, 1753.

THEN came before me the Subscriber, one of his Lordship's Justices for *Anne-Arundel* County, *Stephen Bordley*, junr. who, being sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty GOD, took the Oaths to the Government, repeated and signed the Test, and Oath of Abjuration, and likewise the following Oath; to wit,

YOU *Stephen Bordley*, junr. do swear, That as Clerk Assistant, to the Committee of Laws, 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 Assistant to the said Committee, well and truly demean yourself, according to the best of your Knowledge. So help you God.

THOMAS JENNINGS.

*The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.*

*Post Meridiem.* The House met according to Adjournment.

Mr. *Key*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, intituled, *An Act for repairing the public Roads in this Province*; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Dr. *Carroll*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent Masters of Ships and Vessels from clandestinely carrying Servants and Slaves, or Persons indebted, out of this Province*; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. *Charles Goldsborough*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, intituled, *An Act to prevent Persons from secreting Flats, Boats and other Vessels, drove by Distress of Weather, or otherwise, from Landings or Moorings*; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*The House adjourns till the morrow Morning 9 of the Clock.*

Tuesday