

*Post-Meridiem.* The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

On motion, His Excellency's Speech was again read : *Ordered*, That the Committee of Laws do prepare an Address to his Excellency thereon.

Doctor *Carroll*, from the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that Committee had chose *William Wilkins*, Clerk ; the House approved the Choice, and ordered that he be qualified in the usual Manner.

Mr. *Hammond*, from the Committee of Laws, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that Committee had chose *Thomas Johnson*, Clerk ; the House approved the Choice, and ordered that he be qualified in the usual Manner.

A Petition of *Arthur Lee*, and *John Hanson*, of *Charles County*, Gentlemen, complaining of an undue Election had for the said County, at the last Election, was preferred to this House ; on reading the said Petition,

*Ordered*, That an Hearing be had thereon, at the Bar of this House, on Tuesday the 17th Instant, and that the Sheriff of *Charles County* do attend this House on the said 17th Day, and bring with him the original Poll taken at the said Election.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners *Arthur Lee*, and *John Hanson*, Gentlemen, and all Parties concerned, on Application to the Clerk of this House, have Summons for all such Witnesses as they want, to give Testimony in Relation to the Facts set forth in the said Petition.

*The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.*

Friday, December 13, 1754.

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

Mr. *John Paca*, a Delegate returned for *Baltimore County*, appeared in the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Buchanan*, and Mr. *Tolley*, do go with him to the Upper House to see him qualified : They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they saw him take the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribe the Oath of Abjuration, repeat and sign the Test.

The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

Mr. *John Goldsborough*, from the Committee of Accounts, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that Committee had chose Mr. *Beale Nicholson*, Clerk ; the House approved the Choice : *Ordered*, That he be qualified in the usual Manner.