

YOU Robert Saunders do swear, That you will faithfully, diligently and honestly discharge the Office of Serjeant at Arms, to the Lower House of Assembly; and that you shall not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof. So help you God.

And that Andrew Buchanan took the several Oaths to the Government, signed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and signed the Test, and took the following Oath, viz.

YOU Andrew Buchanan do swear, That you will faithfully, diligently and honestly discharge the Office of Door-Keeper to the Lower House of Assembly; and that you shall not disclose or reveal the Secrets thereof. So help you God.

Resolved, That the Hours of Sitting this Session, for Dispatch of Public Business, be from Nine of the Clock until Twelve at Noon, and from Two of the Clock Afternoon until Five.

Ordered, That Mr. Dulany do acquaint the Reverend Mr. Clement Brooke, That he is desired by this House to Read Divine Service at Half an Hour past Eight in the Morning, and at Five in the Afternoon, during this Session.

A Petition of Henry Woodward, complaining of an undue Election and Return, made by the Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, of a Delegate for the said City, was preferred to this House; and on Reading thereof, *Ordered*, That George Stewart, Esq; the Sitting Member, complained of in the said Petition, have a Copy thereof on his Application to the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That an Hearing on the Petition of Henry Woodward, be had at the Bar of this House, on Saturday Morning the First Day of October next.

Ordered, That Lists of the controverted Votes shall be mutually exchanged between Henry Woodward the Petitioner, and Dr. George Stewart, Tomorrow Afternoon at Five of the Clock, with the particular Objection which they intend to insist upon, set against the Name of each Person whose Vote they intend to dispute; and that such Lists shall be respectively confined to such Voters as were objected to at the Time of their giving their respective Votes.

The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.

T H U R S D A Y, September 29, 1757.

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

On Motion, *Ordered*, That the Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, do attend at the Bar of this House on Saturday Morning next, being the First Day of October, at the Time of the Sitting of this House, and bring with them the original Poll taken at the late Election for Delegates of the said City.

Mr. John Tilden, a Delegate returned for Kent County; Mr. Samuel Owings, a Delegate returned for Baltimore County; Capt. Joseph Chapline, Mr. Thomas Beatty, and Col. Thomas Cresap, Delegates returned for Frederick County; appeared in the House.

Ordered, That Alexander Williamson, Esq; and Mr. Govane, do go with those Gentlemen to the Upper House, to see them Qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That they saw them Qualified in the usual Manner.

The Gentlemen took their Seats in the House.

Mr. Lloyd brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency; which was Read, Approved, and *Ordered* to be Ingrossed.

Mr. Murdock brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Ingrossed Address, viz.

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND:

The humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES.

May it please your EXCELLENCY,

WE, his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Delegates of the Freemen of Maryland, in Assembly convened, return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session.

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