

Journal and Proceedings, September, 1757.

The Matters you have been obliged, by the Duty of your Station, to recommend in a particular Manner to our Consideration, shall have the first Place in our Deliberations.

We cannot but receive with Pleasure, the Assurance your Excellency is pleased to give us of your ready Assent to any Bills that may be offered, whereby this Province may be Benefited, or the Security and Welfare of the People Promoted. And we hope, through the Course of our Proceedings to shew, that nothing on our Parts shall be wanting to afford you the Opportunity of perfecting every Thing that may be conducive to those desirable Ends.

Which was Read and Assented to, and Signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

*Ordered*, That Capt. *Lee* and Mr. *Bracco* do acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath prepared an Address, to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That they delivered the Message, and that the Governor was pleased to signify he would be ready to receive the Address in the Conference Chamber in the Afternoon.

*The House adjourns until II of the Clock Afternoon.*

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

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dalany*, with Eleven more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

On Motion, That the Subject-Matter of his Excellency's Speech be now taken into Consideration, the same was accordingly done; and *Ordered*, That an Address be prepared to his Excellency, requesting him to acquaint this House what Number of his Majesty's Forces he apprehends will be ordered into this Province for Winter Quarters; and that Col. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Lloyd*, Mr. *Murdock*, Mr. *Carroll*, and Mr. *Edward D. M.* do prepare and bring in such Address.

Col. *John Henry*, a Delegate returned for *Worcester County*; Mr. *Daniel Sulivane*, a Delegate returned for *Dorchester County*; Mr. *Emory Sudler*, a Delegate returned for *Queen-Anne's County*; and Mr. *Matthew Johnson*, a Delegate returned for *Talbot County*; appeared in the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Bracco* and Major *Handy* 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.

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

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F R I D A Y, September 30, 1757.

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

*Ordered*, That Col. *Charles Hammond*, Treasurer of the Western Shore, do deliver to the Clerk of this House, the Paper, Parchment, Books, Ink-Powder, &c. that he, as Treasurer, had Orders to send for to England, on Account and for the Use of the Public.

Mr. *George Plover*, a Delegate returned for *St. Mary's County*, appeared in the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Benjamin Mackall* and Mr. *Key* do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House, and see him Qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That they saw him Qualified in the usual Manner.

The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

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

His Excellency the Governor communicated to Mr. Speaker, the following Message, *viz.*

GENTLEMEN of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY,

Be pleased to accept my Thanks for your Yesterday's Address, and to believe, that nothing can give me greater Satisfaction, than to have an Opportunity of perfecting any Thing that might be conducive to the Peace and Welfare of Yourselfes and Your Constituents.

September 30, 1757.

HOR<sup>o</sup>. SHARPE."

Col. *Tilghman* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Ingrossed Address, *viz.*

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