

For the NEGATIVE,

Messrs.	{	Greenfield,	Worthington,	Sullivan,	Baker,	Lloyd,
		Williamson,	J. J. Mackall,	Cockey Deye,	Ward,	Tilghman,
		Hynson,	Gantt,	J. H. Dorsey,	Mauldin,	T. Harris,
		Hammond,	Hanson,	Owings,	Murdock,	E. Dorsey,
		Gaffaway,	Dent,	Earle,	Beall,	Cresap.
		Carroll,	Stoddert,			

For the AFFIRMATIVE,

Messrs.	{	Plater,	B. Mackall,	Edmondson,	Govane,	Chapline,
		Key,	Fitzhugh,	Bowman,	Dulany,	Crabb.
		Gresham,	Gale,	Gibson,	Hopper,	

On Motion, *Unanimously Resolved*, That in the Case of a controverted Election, if from Evidence given at the Bar, the House should suspect that Bribery and Corruption have been made Use of in that Election, the House will proceed to examine into, and consider the same, though not made an Objection against a Voter on the Lists exchanged by the contending Parties.

The House, after the Examination of several Witnesses at the Bar, relative to the Facts contained in the Petition of Mr. *Henry Woodward*, Referred the same for Consideration in the Afternoon.

Ordered, That the Petition of Mr. *Henry Woodward* be heard at the Bar of this House at Half an Hour past Two of the Clock Afternoon.

The House adjourns till Half an Hour past II of the Clock.

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

The Order of the Day being Read; the House proceeded to an Hearing on the Petition of Mr. *Henry Woodward*.

Col. *Hammond* and Col. *Tasker*, from the Upper House, acquainted Mr. Speaker, that the Governor requires the Attendance of the Lower House immediately in the Upper House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and (with the Members of the Lower House) went to the Upper House; where his Excellency made the following Speech, *viz.*

GENTLEMEN of the Upper and Lower Houses of ASSEMBLY,

IN Consequence of an Intimation from the Lords of Trade and Plantations, the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary hath commanded me to recommend it to you, to agree and prepare a Bill for obliging the Masters of all Vessels that shall come to this Province, through the Capes of *Virginia*, to pay a Duty of Two Pence Sterling a Ton, towards building a Light-House on *Cape-Henry*, and keeping a Light therein; the said Duty to commence from the Time that a similar Act shall be made by the Legislature of *Virginia* for the same Purpose; and the Amount thereof, or a Part of it, to be expended and paid Annually, in Proportion to what shall be expended and applied every Year out of the Money that shall be received from the Masters of Vessels trading to *Virginia*.

I must also recommend it to you to grant a Sum of Money at this Time, for the Support of some *French* Prisoners that were lately brought into this Province, and of any others that may be brought hither, until they can be sent to some *French* Port, in Exchange for an equal Number of Sailors, or until I have an Opportunity of shipping them to *Great-Britain*.

Mr. Speaker (with the Rest of the Members) returned to the Lower House, and re-assumed the Chair.

His Excellency the Governor's Speech was Read, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

Benedict Calvert, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Petition of *John Paca*, *Robert Adair*, Gentlemen, and *Margaret Paca*, Widow, Executors of the Testament and last Will of *John Paca*, junior, late of *Baltimore* County, Gentleman, deceased; and the Petition of *James Mathews*, of *Baltimore* County, late Pres-Master; severally Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 19th December, 1758. " Read and Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly."

Which Petitions were severally Read here, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

On the Hearing of the Petition of Mr. *Henry Woodward*, the Question was put, Whether Mr. *James Heath* had a Right to Vote at the late Election for the City of *Annapolis*, or Not? *Resolved*, in the Negative.