

6 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, OCTOBER 1771.

“ *William Wright do swear, that I will true Entries make of all such Matters and Things as shall be to me directed by any Committee of the Lower House of Assembly, for whom I shall act as Clerk, and that I will not divulge the Secrets of the said House, or of any Committee thereof, but will in all Things well and truly demean myself according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge.*”

“ R. GHISELIN.”

Mr. *Saint George Peale* is appointed a Committee Clerk.

ORDERED, That he be qualified.

The House being informed, that Mr. *William Smallwood*, a Delegate returned for *Charles County*, was attending at the Door; ORDERED, That Mr. *Harrison* and Mr. *Hawkins* do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House to see him qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentleman takes his Seat in the House.

Information being given, by a Gentleman from the Committee of Accounts, to the House, that no Journal of Accounts, nor any Duplicate thereof, lay before the said Committee, but that the Journal remained in the Upper House ever since the End of the first Session in *November* last: A Motion was thereupon made, that a Message be sent to the Upper House, desiring them to send back the Journal.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Hall* and Mr. *Hammond* do prepare and bring in the same.

The following Message

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, *October* 4th, 1771.

May it please your HONOURS,

WE are desirous of putting the Claims against the Publick into such a Channel as that they may be paid off; and therefore request your Honours would send back the Journal of Accounts, remaining with you ever since the End of the first Session in *November* last, that we may make such Additions thereto as we may think just and reasonable.

Signed by Order,

JOHN DUCKETT, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Being prepared, was sent to the Upper House by Mr. *N. Thomas* and Mr. *Chamberlaine*.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Chafe*, Mr. *Handy*, and Mr. *N. Thomas*, be a Committee to enquire what Laws will expire with the Close of this Session, and make Report thereof to the House.

Mr. Speaker reports to the House the following Certificate, viz.

ANNE-ARUNDEL I HEREBY certify, that on the 4th Day of *October*, 1771, came *Saint County*, ff. *George Peale* before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace of the said County, and took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, and took the following Oath, viz. “ *I Saint George Peale do swear, that I will true Entries make of all such Matters and Things as shall be to me directed by any Committee of the Lower House of Assembly, for whom I shall act as Clerk, and that I will not divulge the Secrets of the said House, or of any Committee thereof, but will in all Things well and truly demean myself according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge.*”

R. GHISELIN.”

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Message.

By the UPPER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, *October* 3d, 1771.

GENTLEMEN,

THIS House hath appointed *Benedict Calvert*, and *Walter Dulany*, Esquires, to join the Members named by your House, in a Committee to inspect the Office and Proceedings of the Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

*Walter Dulany*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker Three Journals of Accounts, marked 1768, 1769, 1770.

Mr. *Tilghman* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency; which was read, approved of, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Tilghman* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following engrossed Address.

To his Excellency ROBERT EDEN, 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 General Assembly convened, return your Excellency Thanks for your kind Speech at the Opening of this Session, and for the Hopes you are pleased to express that we shall find the Season convenient to our private Affairs.

We shall at all Times pay a respectful Regard to your Excellency's Recommendations, and as soon as we can, shall take under our Consideration the several Matters you now propose, and endeavour