

By the COMMITTEE of Elections and Privileges, October 5th, 1771.

YOUR Committee having inspected the Writs directed to the several Sheriffs for electing Deputies and Delegates to serve in this General Assembly, and the Returns of the said Writs, do find, That Messieurs *John Reeder, jun. Thomas Key, William Thomas, and Jeremiah Jordan*, Delegates of *St. Mary's County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Josias Hawkins, Francis Ware, William Smallwood, and Joseph Hanson Harrison*, Delegates of *Charles County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *John Weems, Charles Grabame, Young Parran, and Benjamin Mackall the Fourth*, Delegates of *Calvert County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, Thomas Johnson, jun. Samuel Chase, and John Hammond*, Delegates of *Anne-Arundel County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *John Hall, and William Paca*, Delegates of the City of *Annapolis*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Edward Tilghman, Richard Tilghman Earle, Thomas Wright, and Solomon Wright*, Delegates of *Queen-Anne's County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Edward Lloyd, James Lloyd Chamberlaine, Matthew Tilghman, and Nicholas Thomas*, Delegates of *Talbot County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Henry Steele, William Ennalls, Joseph Richardson, and William Richardson*, Delegates of *Dorchester County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Levin Gale, Littleton Dennis, Isaac Handy, and John Adams*, Delegates of *Somerset County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Thomas Ringgold, Richard Gresham, Stephen Bordley, and Robert Buchanan*, Delegates of *Kent County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *Nehemiah Holland, John Purnell Robins, William Allen, and Peter Chaille*, Delegates of *Worcester County*, are duly returned.—That only one Indenture is returned for the Delegates of *Baltimore County*, in which is inserted the Names of Messieurs *Samuel Owings, jun. John Moale, George Ristean, and Thomas Cockey Deye*.—That Messieurs *Joseph Sim, Robert Tyler, Josias Beall, and Thomas Contee*, Delegates of *Prince George's County*, are duly returned.—That Messieurs *John Veazy, and Benjamin Rumsey*, Delegates of *Cecil County*, are duly returned; and that Two Indentures are returned and signed by the Electors and Sheriff of the said County for Mr. *William Baxter*.—That Messieurs *Jonathan Hagar, William Luckett, Charles Beatty, and Thomas Sprigg Wootton*, Delegates of *Frederick County*, are duly returned.

Your Committee beg Leave to report to the Honourable House, that they are informed, and believe, that Mr. *Jonathan Hagar*, a Member returned for *Frederick County*, is not a natural born Subject, nor descended from a natural born Subject; that he came into *America*, and was naturalized some Time before the said Election.

All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed by Order,

THOMAS B. HODGKIN, Cl.

ORDERED, That the said Report be read, and it was read accordingly.

ORDERED, That the said Report be read a Second Time, and it was read accordingly.

It appearing to this House by the said Report, that only one Indenture is returned for the Delegates of *Baltimore County*, in which is inserted the Names of Messieurs *Samuel Owings, jun. John Moale, George Ristean, and Thomas Cockey Deye*; ORDERED, That *John Robert Hollyday*, Sheriff of that County, immediately attend at the Bar of this House, and bring with him the Polls and the Counter Parts of the Indentures taken at the said Election.

ORDERED, That the Serjeant at Arms do forthwith serve the Sheriff of *Baltimore County* with a Copy of the above Order.

RESOLVED, That this House will, on Tuesday next, at the Sitting of the House, take into Consideration that Part of the said Report relative to Mr. *Jonathan Hagar*.

Mr. *Tilghman* hath Leave of Absence.

The House adjourns till Monday Morning 9 o'Clock.

M O N D A Y, October 7th, 1771.

THE House met. All Members present as on Saturday, except Mr. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Rumsey*, and Mr. *Weems*. The Proceedings of Saturday were read.

The House being informed, that Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Peter Chaille*, and Mr. *John Purnell Robins*, Three Delegates returned for *Worcester County*; Mr. *Littleton Dennis*, a Delegate returned for *Somerset County*, and Mr. *Henry Steele*, a Delegate returned for *Dorchester County*, were attending at the Door; ORDERED, That Mr. *Ennalls* and Mr. *Handy* do go with those Gentlemen to the Upper House to see them qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they saw them qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentlemen take their Seats in the House.

The House being informed, that Mr. *Henry Allen*, Deputy Sheriff of *Cecil County*, attended at the Door, he was called in, and at the Bar presented to the House, agreeable to the Order of Thursday last, the Polls taken at the last Election of Delegates for that County, by which it appeared, that Mr. *William Ward* was elected a Delegate for that County: He also produced Two Indentures for Mr. *William Ward*, but none for Mr. *William Baxter*.

ORDERED, That the said Deputy Sheriff amend the Return of Delegates for *Cecil County*, by taking off One of the Two Indentures for Mr. *William Baxter* annexed to the Writ of Election, and annexing instead thereof One of the Two Indentures for Mr. *William Ward*; which being done, the Sheriff was ordered to withdraw.

ORDERED, That the Sheriff of *Cecil County* do pay to the several Officers of this House, the Fees arising due upon the said Order of Thursday last.

ORDERED,