

...proposed by an advertisement of the Secretary as Clerk to the General Court on the 10th of November next to his Office unprovided for, thus endorsed; "By the Senate November 10th 1779 Read and referred to the Consideration of the House of Delegates
"By Order M. Ridgely C. Secy."

Which was ordered to lie on the Table.

Upon reading a second Time that part of the Report from the Committee of Elections and Returns relative to the Election of Mr. John Taylor, Resolved, That the Election of the said John Taylor be void.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do acquaint Mr. Taylor with the Resolution of the House, and inform him that he is discharged from any further Attendance as a Member of this House, which Mr. Speaker accordingly did.

Ordered, That a new Writ of Election issue to the Sheriff of Stafford County, to hold an Election for one Member for that County, in the Room of Mr. Taylor, which issue accordingly, returnable by the fifteenth Day of December next.

In Motion, Resolved, That John Taylor, for his Misconduct in receiving Votes for himself, and in returning himself as a Delegate be fined seven Pounds ten Shillings.

A Petition of Samuel Caldwell of Stafford County, was presented and ordered to lie on the Table. Mr. Norris kept the House until Monday next.

The House adjourns till 3 o'clock.

Post Meridieum.

The House met. Mr. James McComas a Delegate returned for Stafford County, appeared, and after being duly qualified he took his Seat in the House.

Joseph Sims Esq. from the Senate delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of the Magistrates of Cecil County requesting the Legislature to enact a Law, declaring the Usage and Practice concerning the Enrolment of Deeds of Conveyance for Lands; and that in that Law it might be ordained, that Deeds which have been heretofore recorded within six Lunar Months might be of equal Validity with those recorded within six Calendar Months. Which was ordered to lie on the Table. — On Motion, Leave given to bring in a Bill concerning Nonjurors.

Ordered, That Mr. J. Hall, Mr. Wootton, Mr. Chase, Mr. Deys and Mr. Reed do prepare and bring in the same.

Upton Sherodine Esq. from the Senate delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Message.

Gentlemen

By the Senate November 10th 1779

The public Conduct and Administration of our late Governor having been such, as entitles him in our Opinion to the Thanks of the General Assembly, we propose a joint Address of Thanks from both Houses, and if you approve his Pleasure, shall appoint a Committee to join a Committee from your House to draw up the Address.

By Order M. Ridgely C. Secy."

Which was read

Mr. Wootton brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill entitled An Act concerning Nonjurors, which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till tomorrow Morning 9 o'clock.