U. H. His Excellency having Shewed them the reasons of their Sitting & that in regard M^r Thos Taylor who was Speaker of the sd Lower House the last Session of Assembly had since undertaken a Voyage for England & was not returned into this Province desired them to go to their house & make choice of a new Speaker

And afterwards the st Lower House of Assembly appeared to this House & being Asked whither they had chosen their Speaker made Answer that they had Elected Mt Thomas

Notely who was allowed of by his Excellency

Robt Ridgley was this day admitted Clerk of the Lower house of Assembly Sworn at the opening of this Assembly

The House Adjourned till to Morrow Morning 10 of the Clock

Wednesday 11th October

The House met Present The honble the Chancell. Col Will.

Calvert. Baker Brooke Esq^r Tho^s Truman

The House taking into Consideration upon the motion of M. Benja Rozer the Vote of the Lower House of the 30th of

March last past viz.

Resolved Nemine Contradicente that It is the Opinion & Judgment of the House that the said Assignment according to those Words though only under hand & not Seal was at the time the same was made such a sufficient Conveyance of the standard Two Thousand Acres of Land as was then used in this Country in the Infancy thereof there being at that time few or none more formal or Effectual in the Law here to Convey Land from one to another. And further that It is also the Opinion & Judgment of this House that the standard Lewis did not die Seized or possessed thereof but that the Jnterest of and to the said Land at his Death was according to the standard Assignmt in them the Job: Chandler & Simon Oversee And that the said Assigmt & all others of the like Nature ought to be Confirmed do Concur with the Lower House therein

The House Adjourned till two of the Clock in the Afternoon

The House met again Present as in the morning & Major Fitzherbert

P. 208 Henry Hooper Exhibited his Petition to this House thereby Setting forth that Cap! W. Burgess & the other Delegates, had, to delay the Petition, brought a Writt of Error retornable in this honble House and did not prosecute the Same And therefore he humbly prayed that he might be at Liberty to proceed upon the Judgm! formerly obtained against them