

Thursday April the 28th 1715

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The Honble his Majesty's Council Sate Present as yesterday p. 10

Col Maxwell and Major Philips came from the House of Delegates and presented Cap^t Rich^d Colegate a Delegate for Baltimore County desiring he might be Qualified by taking the Oaths appointed by Law and subscribing the Abjuration Oath and Test, which was accordingly done in their Presence.

Then came the Honble John Hall Esq^r and took the said Oaths & Subscribed the Test and Abjuration Oath & took his place at the Board.

M^r Thomas Holdsworth & M^r Benjamin Tasker came & Saw M^r John Phelps Naval Officer of the District of Potowmack make Oath to his Naval Officers Accompts of the 3^d p Gallon, 3^d p hh^d 12^d on pork & Duty on furr

The Board adjourned till nine of the Clock to morrow morning

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M^r Rousby & Seven other Delegates came from their House & brought the following answer to his Excell^{ty}s Speech Viz.

To His Excellency the Governour

May it please your Excellency

We the Delegates of this Province at this time assembled beg leave to return your Excell^{ty} our most hearty & unfeigned thanks for your most favourable Speech and humbly beg Leave to Join with your Excell in expressing our Thanks to Heaven for his most excellent Majesty King Georges peaceable Accession to the Throne of his Ancestors, the only happy remedy that would alleviate the Grief we are truly affected with for the loss of the best of Queens p. 11

Nothing can make us more truly Sensible of the Greatness of this Blessing than to see our Religion Laws & Libertys secure in his Majesty's royal Person and Issue, which puts an effectual Stop to those Insinuations that were secretly dispersed thro his Majestys Dominions that these invaluable Advantages were in danger than which nothing would be more Grievous to us, And which is now entirely removed by his Majesty's peaceable possession of the Crown, according