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Dorchester County

M^r John Brannock
Coll^o William Ennales
M^r Peter Taylor
M^r John Kirk

Calvert County

M^r Benjamin Mackall
M^r Walter Smith
Major Adderton Skinner

Cecil County

M^r Thomas Johnson
Coll^o Ephraim Augustine Her-
man
M^r Stephen Knight
M^r Joshua George

Queen Anns County

M^r Augustine Thompson
Captⁿ William Elliott
M^r William Hemsley
Major W^m Turbutt

By the House of Delegates Oct^r 3^d 1728

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Ordered

That James Harris and John Beale Esq^{rs} go to acquaint the Governor that a Sufficient number of the Gentlemen elected by the Severall and respective ffreemen of the Province of Maryland to compose an House of Delegates are convened at the Stadt house.

They return and say they Delivered their Message

Coll^o Matthew Tilghman Ward Benjamin Tasker Esq^r and George Plater Esq^r Clerk of the Council from the Upper house came into the Stadt house in whose Presence the said returned Members of the Lower House except those marked absent took the Oaths of Allegiance Abhorrence and Abjuration to his Present Majesty King George the Second repeated the Test and Signed the said Oaths and Test.

Soon afterwards came the Hoñble Phillip Lee and Nicholas Lowe Esq^{rs} from the Upper House and informed the said Representatives that the Governor required their immediate Attendance in the Council Chamber, who thereupon went, and were there required by the Governor, to return to their House and Choose a Speaker, they Complied Accordingly and unanimously chose Coll^o John Mackall a Member returned to serve for Calvert County to be their Speaker, Placed him in the Chair, and Presented him to the Governor in the Usual manner where the said M^r Speaker decently and Submissively addressing himself to the Governor offered severall reasons disabling himself from serving in that Station and therefore made humble Suit to him to be discharged and that he wou'd be Pleased to Command the Delegates to make choice of an abler Person, which Excuses the Governor would no Ways admit of, being well Satisfied of the Skill & Knowledge of the said John Mackall in the Publick Affairs of the Province and required him In the Lord Proprietors name to Accept of the said Place.

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After which M^r Speaker in the name of the whole house of Delegates humbly desired the Governor on the Lord Proprietors Behalf