U. H. J. September 1742 Mess^{rs} Dulany and Wootton present to the Liber No. 34 Governor M^r Macnemara as Clerk for his Approbation who return to their house, and afterwards Mess^{rs} Calder and Thomas Attend to see him qualified

August 1745 Mess^{rs} Goldsborough and Henry Present M^r Tilghman as Clerk for the Governors Approbation who return to their house, and afterwards the same Gentlemen came again to see him qualified

March 1745 Mess¹⁸ Lloyd and Harrison Present to the Governor M^r Tilghman as Clerk for his Approbation, who return to their house and afterwards the same Gentleman came again to see him qualified

November 1746 Mess¹⁸ Key and Gresham present to the Governor for his Approbation M^r Macnemara as Clerk in the Room of M^r Tilghman who resigned and afterwards the same Gentlemen came again to see him qualified

By these Messages you will see the uninterrupted course of Proceeding since my first arrival in the Province till this time. And if you look into the Journal of the year 1700, when the Lower house seems first to have Chosen their Clerk you will not only see the Governors Approbation necessary but the Reason of it, the Lower House being satisfied that the appointment of their Clerk was realy in the Governor and only permitted to them out of his Condescension as they themselves Express it with this Express Condition of Presenting him for Approbation; all which you will see clearly in the following abstract.

April 1700 Came from the house Cot John Thompson Lieut Cot Thomas Smith, Mr Richard Tilghman and Mr John Wight who acquaint his Excellency that the house is met according to Proclamation of Prorogation to this day; and desire his Excellency will be Pleased to appoint them a Clerk.

Whereupon the following Message was sent to the house by the Honble Col. Jowles and Thomas Tench Esquire.

By his Excellency the Governor and Council Assembly 26 April 1700 Gentlemen

Understanding by Your Verbal Message by Major Thomas Smith and three other of your Members that your house is met according to Proclamation of Prorogation to this day, and that you desire a Clerk to be appointed you his Excellency is pleased to Leave it to your house to nominate such Clerk and present him to him for his Approbation, no one as yet having Addressed his Excellency for that office

Signed p Order W: Bladen Ct. Coun.

p. 278 Came Captain Richard Hill and M^r James Saunders and four other Members who return the Thanks of the house to his Excel-