A Sufficient Number of members to Compose a Lower House of L. H J. Assembly being met at the Stadt House. Ordered Mr Dulany and Lib. No. 45 Mr Harris go and acquaint his Excellency thereof they Return and Say they deliver'd the Message.

Philip Lee and George Pleater Esq^{rs} from the Upper House and p. 511 M^r John Ross Clerk of the Council came into the Stadt House in whose presence the aforesaid Members took the Oaths of Allegiance Abhorrence and Abjuration to his Majesty King George the Second Repeated the Test and Signed the said Oaths and Tests.

Col Ward and Benjamin Tasker Esq^r from the Upper House Informed the said Members that the Governor required their Immediate Attendance in the Council Chamber who there upon went. The Governour Required them to return to their House and Make Choice of a Speaker, they returned and Unanimously Chose Daniel Dulany Esq^r to be their Speaker and placed him in the Chair.

James Harris Esq^r and M^r Smith Ordered to Acquaint his Excellency the Governour this House had made Choice of a Speaker. They return and say they delivered the Message Philip Lee and George Pleater Esq^{rs} from the Upper House Acquaint this House his Excellency the Governour requires their Attendance in the Council Chamber to Present their Speaker.

The Members of this House went and presented to his Excellency the Governour Daniel Dulany Esq^r as their Speaker who Excused himself from serving thro his want of Health which Excuse the Governour was pleased to admit and thereupon Desired the members of this House to Return and Choose some other fit Person to be their Speaker; they return and make Choice of James Harris Esq^r to be their Speaker and placed him in the Chair.

Mr Key and Mr Hammond Sent to the Upper House to Acquaint his Excellency the Governour this House hath made Choice of A Speaker. they return and Say they Delivered the Message. Col Tilghman from the Upper House Acquaints this House that the Governour desires the attendance of this House in the Council Chamber to present their Speaker.

The Members of this House went to the Council Chamber and there Presented James Harris Esq^r their Speaker to his Excellency the Governour the governour was pleased to approve of the said Speaker and thereupon Made the following Speech.

[This speech is printed at page 162.]

The House returned M^r Speaker resumed the Chair. The House Proceeded to the Choice of a Clerk and Chose M^r Michael Macnepolice Mara. M^r Hammond and M^r Hemsley were Sent to the Upper House to present the said Macnemara to the Governour for his Approbation and to see him Qualified.