

L. H. J. A sufficient number of Members to compose a Lower House of
 Liber No. 46 Assembly being met at the Stadt House, M^r Stoughton and Col.
 p. 546 Dashiell are desired to acquaint his Excellency therewith.

Daniel Dulany and Philip Thomas Esquires, of the Upper House, with M^r John Ross Clerk, came into the Lower House, in whose Presence the aforesaid members took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, signed the Oath of Abjuration, and repeated and signed the Test.

Col. Lloyd and Col. Tasker from the Upper House, acquaint the members of this House, that the Governor required their Attendance in the Upper House: The Members of the Lower House went to the Upper House; his Excellency required them to return and make choice of a Speaker They returned, and unanimously made choice of Col. Edward Sprigg, a Representative of Prince George's County to be their Speaker, and placed him in the Chair. M^r Stoughton and Col Dashiell are sent to acquaint his Excellency, that the House had made choice of a Speaker.

Edmund Jennings Esq. and Col. Hammond from the Upper House acquaint the Members of this House, that the Governor required their Attendance in the Upper House, in order to present their Speaker. The Members of the Lower House went to the Upper House, and presented Col. Edward Sprigg to the Governor as their Speaker: His Excellency was pleased to give his Approbation of their Choice, and then made the following Speech. (See page 232.)

The Members return to their House, and M^r Speaker resumes the Chair

p. 547 They make choice of M^r William Tilghman to be their Clerk, and M^r Lloyd and M^r Harrison are ordered to acquaint his Excellency therewith, and to desire his Approbation: They return and acquaint M^r Speaker they delivered their Message; and that the Governor was pleased to approve of their Choice of a Clerk.

The same Gentlemen are sent, with M^r Tilghman, to the Upper House, to see him qualified. They return, and acquaint M^r Speaker they saw him qualified by taking the several Oaths to the Government signing the Oath of Abjuration, repeating and signing the Test, and taking the usual Oath of Office.

M^r Speaker communicates to the House the Letter from Governor Clinton of New York, mentioned in his Excellency's Speech; which was ordered to be read, and is as follows; (See Appendix.)

The House appoints M^r Thomas Iobson Serjeant at Arms, and M^r Thomas Sparrow Door Keeper and Capt Gordon is ordered to administer to them the several Oaths to the Government, and Oath of Office.