

lency for his great Consideration and acquaint him that the house are very Desirous to have M^r W^m Taylard one of their Members to be their Clerk if his Excellency be pleased to assent thereto. An Answer to which was sent by Col. Charles Hutchins & Col John Addison

U. H. J.
Liber No. 34
May 10

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

Since the house have offered M^r W^m Taylard to be their Clerk, his Excellency is pleased to say that he does approve of him to be a fit qualified Person for the Execution of that Office; And if the house will Dispence with his service in Regard of his being one of their Members He is willing to commissionate him

Signed p Order W^m Bladen Ct. Coun.

Then came M^r William Hutchison with four more of the Delegates and say, the house return their hearty Thanks to his Excellency for his Condescension and signify the Houses willingness to dispence with the Service of their Member, and intreat his Excellency to Commissionate him to be their Clerk

The only Reason that you offer for the alteration you propose, is, that no mention is made of the Governors approbation in your Clerks Entry of the Message in July 1732 by M^r Béal and M^r Warfield But surely the not mentioning any fact is no proof against its not having passed, when it is Expressly Recorded in an other Journal agreeable to the whole Tenor of the Records of both houses in other instances relating to this affair

I have been the more particular upon this Subject that no Doubt may Remain with your house about an affair that seems so very Clear & Evident and you may be assured that when any real Privileges of your house are in Question, I shall have the same just Regard for them that I think myself Obliged to have for the just Rights of his Lordship

Sam: Ogle

Adjourned till 3 of the Clock in the afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This house met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the morning

Mess^{rs} Addison, Murdoch, Handy and Waggerman from the Lower House, attend with Col. Robert King and Col Robert Jenkins Henry two of the Members Returned for Somerset County and with Col. Edward Sprigg a member Returned for Prince Georges County, to see them Qualified, who take the several Oaths to the Government Required by Law Repeat and Subscribe the Abjuration and Test and then withdrew