PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

UPPER HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

At a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis U. H. J. on Thursday the 12th day of December in the 4th Year of his Lordships Dominion Annog Domini 1754.

Liber No. 34
1754.
December 12

Present

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His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor

The Honourable Benjamin Tasker Esq. Cof Benjamin Tasker Cof George Plater Cof Charles Hammond Benedict Calvert Esq. Benedict Calvert Esq. Cof Charles Hammond

Mess.^{rs} Murdock & Lloyd from the Lower house acquaint his Excellency that there is a sufficient Number of Members met to make a house and wait his Excellencys Commands

Cof George Plater & Richard Lee Esq.^r are Sent to the Lower house to Administer the Oaths to the Government appointed to be taken by Act of Assembly of this Province to the Several Members of that house there present and Ordered that the Clerk of this house attend them who Administered the said Oaths to the Several Members then Present and they all Subscribed the Abjuration & Test.

Benedict Calvert Esq.^r is Sent to acquaint the Lower house that his Excellency requires their immediate attendance in the Upper house

The Members of the Lower house Attend and his Excellency requires them to return to their house & make Choice of a Speaker

Mess.^{rs} Henry & Mackall from the Lower house acquaints His Excellency their house had made Choice of a Speaker.

Cot Tasker is Sent to the Lower house to Acquaint them that his Excellency requires their Attendance in the Upper house to Present their Speaker for his Approbation

The Lower house Attend and Present Co[†] Henry Hooper to his Excellency as their Speaker who is Pleased to Approve of their Choice, and then makes the following Speech

Gentlemen of the Upper & Lower houses of Assembly

As the late Transactions of the French on this Continent and the consequences that must inevitably attend their Execution of the Scheme they have Projected against us, have been so often discanted on, in the most publick manner since the same unhappy Cause that