

L. H. J.  
Liber No. 50  
Mar. 28

A sufficient Number of Delegates to compose a Lower House of Assembly, being convened at the Stadt-House; Ordered, That Mr. Goldsborough and Mr. Plater do acquaint his Excellency the Governor therewith. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That they delivered the Message.

Colonel Hammond, and Samuel Chamberlain, Esq; from the Upper House, acquaint Mr. Speaker, That the Governor requires the Attendance of the Lower House immediately in the Upper House.

p. 2 Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and (with the Rest of the Members of the Lower House) went to the Upper House; where his Excellency made a Speech to both Houses of Assembly; a Copy of which he delivered to Mr. Speaker; also a Copy of a Letter from Mr. Secretary Pitt, and a Copy of a Letter from General James Abercrombie, directed to the Governor of Maryland.

Mr. Speaker (with the other Members) returned to the Lower House, and re-assumed the Chair.

Ordered, That his Excellency the Governor's Speech be Read; which was accordingly in the following Words:

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly,

[This Message printed in full in Upper House Journal pp. 467-468]

Ordered, That Mr. Secretary Pitt's Letter be Read; which was in the following words.

Sir Whitehall 30<sup>th</sup> December, 1757

His Majesty having nothing more at heart than repair the . . . . .

[Letter printed in full in Upper House Journal pp. 469-470]

p. 7 Ordered, That General Abercrombie's Letter be Read; which was in the following words.

[This letter printed in full in Upper House Journal pp. 470-471]

Resolved, That the Rules ordered to be observed by the several Members of this House last Session, be observed as such during this Session.

Resolved, That the Hours of Sitting this Session, for Dispatch of Public Business, be from Eight of the Clock in the Morning until One, and from Two of the Clock Afternoon until Six.

p. 8 Ordered, That Mr. Goldsborough do acquaint the Reverend Mr. Clement Brooke, That he is requested to Read Divine Service at Three Quarters of an Hour after Seven in the Morning, and at Six of the Clock in the Evening, during this Session.

On Motion, his Excellency's Speech was again Read.

Ordered, That an Address be prepared in Answer thereto; and that Mr. Murdock, Colonel Tilghman, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Lloyd, and Mr. Carroll, do prepare and bring in such Address.