

Present as Yesterday—

U. H. J.
Liber No. 36
Nov. 9

Mess.^{rs} Smallwood and N. Thomas from the Lower House acquaint his Excellency, that their Speaker is so much indisposed that he is not able to attend—

Benedict Calvert Esq.^r is Sent to the Lower House to acquaint them that his Excellency requires their Attendance in the Upper House immediately.

The Lower House attend, and his Excellency Desires them to return to their House and make Choice of a Speaker.

Mess.^{rs} Griffith and W Paca from the Lower House acquaint his Excellency that their House hath made Choice of a Speaker.

John Ridout Esq.^r is sent to the Lower House to acquaint them, that his Excellency require their Attendance to present their Speaker.

The Lower House Attend, and present Brice Thomas Beale Worthington Esq.^r as their Speaker, with which Choice his Excellency Declares himself well pleased.

Mess.^{rs} John Hall and Johnson from the Lower House bring up the following Message.

By the Lower House of Assembly 9:th November 1770.

May it please your Honours

We agree with you in Opinion that the Tranquility and Welfare of the Province depend very much upon a Regulation of our Staple of Tobacco, and the Fees of the Officers, under that Idea we with great Care revised our late Inspection Law; and were governed by Principles of Justice and Public Utility, But as your Honours think the Bill now before you on that subject very exceptionable, in many Respects, we request you to point out the Amendments you have to propose, that we may have them before us in one view, and then we shall with pleasure agree to a Conference if we judge it expedient.

Signed by Order. John Duckett Cl. Lo. Ho.

Mess.^{rs} W. Paca and Johnson from the Lower House bring up a Bill entitled. "An Act to impower Edward Tilghman, Solomon Wright and others to Sell certain Lands Devised by Col.^o Vincent Lowe, formerly of Talbot County, to be Sold for the purposes by the said Devise intended"—Read the first and second time by an Especial order in the Lower House & will pass—

Adjourned until three of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Eodem Die Post Meridiem.

The House met again according to Adjournment.

Present as in the Morning.

Adjourned until to Morrow Morning 10 of the Clock.