

Mr. *Pyke* then moved for leave to read a Petition from *Alexander Howe*, Esq; complaining of an undue Election for the County of *Annapolis*, which was read accordingly, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Petition from *Alex. Howe*, Esq; read, and Order thereon.

Mr. Solicitor-General also moved for leave to read a Petition from *Philip Marchinton*, complaining of an undue Election for the County of *Cumberland*, which was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Petition of *Philip Marchinton* read, & Order thereon.

The Solicitor-General moved, That the proper Officer be directed to apply at the Secretary's Office for the Return of the Member for *Amberst*, to be laid before this House,

Motion from the Solicitor General, and Resolution thereon.

Ordered accordingly.

The Petition of *George Brighman*, Esq; was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Petition of *George Brighman*, Esq; read, and Resolution thereon. Motion of Mr. *Dewolf*, and Resolution thereon.

On Motion of Mr. *Dewolf*, ordered, that the House meet at seven o'Clock in a Committee of the whole House on the Petitions against undue Elections.

The Solicitor-General moved, that the Correspondence of the Committee of the late House with their provincial Agent be read, which was read accordingly.

Correspondence of the late House with their Agents read, on Motion of the Solicitor General

The House being informed, that the Governor would be ready to receive their Address at Twelve o'Clock To-morrow, ordered, that the House wait on him accordingly.

Message that the Governor will be ready to receive the Address,

The House then adjourned to Eleven o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

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Wednesday, 7th December, 1785.

The Committee on the contested Elections reported the following Progress they had made,

Committee on contested Elections report Progress.

The Petition of *Alexander Howe*, Esq; together with the following Papers, which were exhibited in Support of it viz.

- No. 1 Affidavit of *Joseph Winniett*, junr. Esq;
- 2 Do. of *Betrand de Chevery*,
- 3 Do. of Mr. *Benjamin Cornwall*,
- 4 Do. of *Wm. Willett Beavens*, Esq;
- 5 Do. of *Thomas Cornwall*,
- 6 Do. of *Ebenezer Cutler*,
- 7 Do. of *John Robertson*,

Were read, and thereupon the Committee agreed, that the further Consideration of the Business be deferred to a future Day, and that the Clerk obtain from the Secretary's Office the Return of the Writ for the County of *Annapolis*, and a copy of the Instructions sent to the Sheriff, and also Copies of such other Papers as relate to the said Election.

Agreed, that the Petition of *George Brighman*, be read, which being read, the Committee also agreed, that it be referred to a future Day,