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only uppon their Masters Employ^t. The Vote of the howse is.
That the Pet^r bee allowed nothing, as to that his demand.

The howse adiorned by M^r Speaker 'till to morrow morning
7 a Clock

3th Aprill 1666. 7 a Clock.

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All present (Co^{ll} Nath. Vtye making

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of Co^{ll} Nath. Vtye to shew his rea- this howse,
why hee made not his ap- prescribed in the writt to
attend

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oses That writt for Electing. the Election of the
same efore th^t time or day in before th^t day
uppon his according as he was

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makes his appearance requested him to digest
his reasons in writting, why hee appeared not att the first calling
of the Assembly because hee first alleged, That it was noe
Lawfull or Legall Election in that County of Baltemore.

Co^{ll} Vtye departed accordingly, & not long after returning
again, p^rsents the Speaker wth this ensuing paper.

M^r Speaker.

To yo^u & the rest of the Worthy Gentlemen of the Lower
howse of Assembly. My Declara^on & reasons Why J, th^t am
of Baltemore County, now returned as a Burgesse am not
Legally chosen, are these. Jmp^t Att a Court held for Balte-
more County uppon the first Twesday in Decemb^r. The Clerk
& Sheriffe being but one Man & soe of necessity must attend
the Court; By the way receaued Writts for an Assembly to
bee held in ffebruary. w^{ch} writt hee taking wth him to the Court,
there being some ffew of the Commissioners, & J thinke as
few of the Jnhabitants. Presently the Sheriffe proceeded to

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make Choyce for Burgesses. Contrary, as I. conceaue, to the
intent of the writt, the Lawdable where the ffreemen
Jnhabitants ought to nes w^{ch} soe much concerns their

soe often declared their disgust of me p^rsent it to
this hon^{ble} howse satisfaction both to my selfe & th

in Baltemore. And sett doune the heads of some

greiuance to mee (viz^t)

M^r Rich: Ben

M^r ffran: Wrig

Godfrey Bayly, M

of

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