

any Court either in England or other Plantations

5. Upon the like Act tendered the last Assembly no Person would Engage or promise that all Persons pretending a tenderness of Conscience would so give Evidence if settled by a Law

John Gittings &c  
Then was read the Act appointing Sheriffs. Voted that It pass

Ordered that the Act touching Runaways & the Act concerning Indians be sent to the Lower house with the Amendments

The House Adjourned till nine of the Clock to Morrow Morning

Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> of April Present as before

Then was presented this following Petition

To the Right Honourable the Lieutenant General  
with the rest of the worshipful the Members of the  
Upper & Lower House

The humble Petition of the Inhabitants of St. Mary's County  
by way of Aggravance by their Burgeses &c.

Humbly sheweth — That whereas the General Charge of Grand Juries  
in reference to Provincial Courts doth lie upon the particular County of  
St. Marys It is humbly desired that that Charge be made General  
for the future and your Petitioners shall pray &c.

To which Petition this Answer underwritten was sent to the Lower House  
viz. Every County in the Province by the Law of England now admitted ought &  
must impanel a Grand Jury Quarterly to Enquire so that the Charge  
is equal in all Countys which this House conceives an Answer to this Peti-  
tion & order this to be sent to the Burgeses to communicate it to the Speaker

John Gittings &c

Then was read an Act of Gratitude for the Lieuten.<sup>t</sup> General

Voted that it be fair written & presented unto by this House &  
that it be carried to the Clerk of the Lower house for his hand thereto

Then was read an Act for the purchasing of a State House Prison  
Voted that It pass

Then was read the Act imposing a fee on them who shall be married  
Voted that It pass

Then was read an Act concerning payment of Debts due by Bill  
Voted that It pass

as also an Act concerning taxable Persons.

Then was read an Act declaring what shall be done by the Sheriffs  
ex Officio. As also an Act for Encouragement of Ordinary Keepers  
Voted that they be fair Written & pass