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Will<sup>m</sup> Caluert Esqr the Messenger appointed, to present the Sence & Vote of this howse, to these two Bills or Acts to the Vpper howse.

Who returnes, & certifies the Speaker th<sup>t</sup> the Vpper howse desyres our Reasons.

M<sup>r</sup> Speaker telling him, That the Reasons why noe Cessaōn are on the Journall: for w<sup>ch</sup> Journall they have prouided an Act this Sessions of Assembly. Then.

The howse adiornd by the Speaker 'till two a Clock after noone.

Thursday two a Clock afternoone.

The howse called All present (Except M<sup>r</sup> Rich: Preston)

Were read the Reasons of the Committee touching noe Cessaōn in the former part of this Journall inserted, somewhat now amplified. W<sup>ch</sup> are as followeth. (Vizt)

Reasons of the Lower howse of Assembly why they  
fol. 6. thinke a Cessaōn from planting Tob. to bee unnecessary in this Province.

1. Wee conceiue Our Cessaōn will rather encrease than lessen the quantity of Tob. ffor it will encowrage the poeple of those parts to plant Tob where now there is little or none because other American Plantaōns are wee are, as to their Comodities. W<sup>ch</sup> by shipping their Comodities usually plant dico, are now as contemptible as Tob. Wee now conclude a Cessaōn, they w<sup>ch</sup> are planting Tob. Their Lands being more proper yearely make not only one Crop, but three Crops. Soe th<sup>t</sup> their abundance Prouince ineffectuall; thereby as to aduance Our Comodity Tob. neuer the more for Our Cessaōn in all his Maiesties Plantaōn fore a Cessaōn

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2 A Cessaōn will dism<sup>iss</sup> to these parts, not hauing the Com<sup>modities</sup> seeke for here. Nor any probability or hopes in any reasonable to produce other Manufactures for their Encowragem<sup>t</sup> to visitt this Prouince, & supply us w<sup>th</sup> such necessaries, as Wee from time to time shall want. Soe th<sup>t</sup> by the meanes of a Cessaōn in Maryland & Virginia Our Trade for a long time will bee obstructed. Merchants usually trading this Way, will settle their Trade in other parts. & wee shall thereby in all probability bee wholly deserted by shipping. Our Country ruined, Our selues, Wives, & Children exposed to little better Condition then a Pagan, or Saluage manner of lyuing.