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is now willing to doe any thing that his Two houses, shall reasonably Desire, for the settleing the Temporall Lawes, as alsoe of the Lawes mentioned in an Act of Assembly made in the yeare of our Lord 1676:

Secondly: his Lo^{pp} sayes that haveing much business as well publique as private to dispatch before his goeing for England whither he is [now bound] vpon vrgent Occasions) is the reasone why he hath Caused this [Sessions] of Assembly to bee at the Cyttye of St Maryes, Soe neare his [own dw]elling.

Lo^{pp} Assures this house That his goeing for England [is not because of any] greater Inclinacon to that place then to his owne province of Maryland, But an absolute Necessity putt vpon him for the Determинеing Certayne Matters in Dif-
frence, between himselfe and the proprietary of Pensilvania relateing to the bounds of this province, w^{ch} soe soon as Ended, and that he cann be in a Condidcōn to leave his heires in an vndisturbed Right to this province hee is Resolved To Returne hither againe where not Only his Interest but his Inclinacon is.

4 ffourthly ; His Lo^{pp} sayth that it will not be above a month before he must depart this province vpon his Voyage for England, and th^t much business as well publique as private, Lyes vpon him, Yet he is willing to spend a fortnight of that time, with his Two houses for Settleing the weighty Affaires of this of this his Province & desires the Lower house to be Sollicitous about the same.

Lastly, his Lo^{pp} Tooke Notice that M^r Speaker had Adjourned the Lower house Till This day with a Less number of the members then had been vsuall at some Other times. Yet since the same was done wth a good Intention to save this Sessions of Assembly, his Lo^{pp} declares He is well Content, Therewith.

Then M^r Speaker and the members repaire to their [hou]se.
The house mett and Settled, The house mett and Called, All p^sent Except:

M ^r Leonard Green Sick:	}	M ^r Bartho ^{ll} Ennalls
Cap ^t Richard Hill		M ^r James ffrizby
M ^r ffrancis Hutchins Lame		Cap ^t William Peerce
M ^r Henry Addames Sick		Cap ^t Henry Johnsonsone

Then was read what was done yesterday:

The question was then Put, whether it be not Nessary that the number of Delegates for makeing a house, According to the former Rule of this house, should be lessened:

Resolved In the Affirmative:

p. 3 The question was then further Putt, what number of the Delegats Should be a house.