

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r & Council
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In answer to the message of M^r Leach M^r Young & M^r Macall to desire his Ex^{cy} to Ioyne some of the Members of this house to consider the evils that may redound to her Maj^{ty}s Interest and this province by the designe hinted to be formed against our Constitucon Orderd that M^r Tench M^r Brooke M^r Smith M^r Cheseldyn & M^r Coursey Joyne the Comittee of the house so Soone as they are ready.

Signd p order W^m Bladen Cl Council.

Which being read Its Resolvd that M^r Nicholas Lowe M^r W^m Frisby M^r Iohn Leach and M^r Hugh Ecleston Joyne with the Members of the honoble Council on the Subject proposd and orderd to Attend them in the Afternoone.

Upon mocon made to the house on behalfe of Thomas Reading printer that he may be lycens'd to print his Ex^{cys} Speech and the houses answer to the same.

Its Resolvd he be lycensd so to doe likewise proposd that he may be constituted publiq printer to print all laws and other publiq matters Which being debated this house Resolves he be constituted printer first Giving bond with Security to be have himselfe in that Office.

The Comittee of Agreivances enters the house and prefers to the house A Journall of their proceedings which was orderd to be entred.

By order of the house of Delegates.

A Comittee to enquire into the Agrievances of this province.
The members appointed for the same are

Thom^s Greenfeild Esq^r }
Col^l Iames Maxwell }
M^r Iohn Wells }

Which members met Accordingly and made choice of Thomas Greenfeild Esq^r to be their Chairman and Appointed In^o Collins to serve as Clerk:

Whereas by the information of A member of the honoble house of Delegates for Cecill County who applys to this Comittee as well on his owne behalfe as on the behalfe of this neighbours inhabitants of Cecill County it appears that severall Gent not residing in the Aforesaid County have quarters and plantations there whereat they keep negroes Molattoes and other Slaves under such overseers who Allow them not only the priviledge of Gunns doggs and Amunicon but of using such their Instruments without the bounds of