

By the House of Delegates May the 21st 1705

Lib. 41.

In Answer to the Message relating to the Libel this House resolves that the Charging your Ex^{cy} with any Confederacy or being ruled or prevailed on by Col^o Darnall or any other Papist whatsoever is a most pernicious scandalous & seditious Libel tending to the Destruction of her Majesty's Government here & is a great Scandal to y^r Excy's Fame & Reputation This House being very sensible that the Bill against the Papal Religion and also that Bill to indulge them or to suspend the Execution of the former Bill began both in this House and were sent from us to your Ex^{cy} and the Hon^{ble} her Majesty's Council for your Concurrence & Assent thereunto And we do pray your Honour to be assured from us that we will omit nothing that may be fit & proper for us to do to protect and assert her Majesty's Government and your Excellency's Justice & Innocence in this Matter and to shew our utmost Resentment against such pestilent Disturbers of this Government and bringing them to condign Punishment.

Signed p Order T. Taylard Cl. Ho. Del.

M^r Robert Goldsborough, M^r William Frisby and M^r John Hudson and M^r John Taylor ordered to carry up the said Message to his Excellency & Council

They return & say they delivered their Message

The Gentlemen appointed to view the Stadt House work enter the House and informs them that they cannot recede from their former Report on Saturday. Upon which its Resolved by the House That all those Window Frames already set up be taken down and other good & sufficient Window Frames be set in their Room made of well seasoned Timber.

M^r John Taylor sent up to the Council with Journals & Papers relating to the Indians and all Papers about Clarke & Cely.

Bill for Relief of Ann Arundel County read 1st Time

Petition of Alexander Hall on behalf of S^r Thomas Lawrence Secretary praying an Allowance for recording the Body of the Laws of Octo. & Decem. Assembly being read.

Ordered twelve hundred Pounds of Tobacco be allowed him next Levy therefor

The Petition of Matthew Beard praying Allowance for looking after & taking Care of the publick Arms & Ammunition for nine Months was read. The Consideration whereof is further referred till some Journals be inspected.

Bill confirming a certain Letter of Attorney from William Joseph Esq^r to William Joseph his Son indorsed in Council 21st May 1705. Read the first Time

W Bladen Cl. Council.