By the Council in Assembly April 5th 1706.

Lib. 41.

In Answer to your Message yesterday by Mr Hays and Mr Jones desiring a Conference with this Board in Order to redress the great Evil of protested Bills of Exchange his Excellency and Council are willing to have a Conference with the whole House in the Council Chamber to Morrow Morning at ten of the Clock upon the Subject Matter so pernicious to the Country. Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Council.

Which being read is ordered to be read in the Afternoon.

The following Message prepared was ordered to be read and entered.

By the House of Delegates April 5th 1706.

May it please your Excellency,

This House gives your Ex'cy their hearty Thanks for putting them in mind to inspect that Matter relating to the three Pence p Hhd which is given to the Country to provide Arms & and they do humbly pray that your Excellency will be pleased to give Order that that the Accounts thereof from the Time the said Grant from the late King took place till this Time may be laid before them that they may enquire into that Matter and what has been paid thereon and what is become of the monies.

Signed p Order W Taylard Cl Ho. Del.

Sent up to his Ex'cy by Mr John Mackall and Mr John Macclaster

They return & say they delivered their Message.

The several Committees are ordered to go out on the Com^{rs} M^r Samuel Young & M^r John Leach ordered to go out and inspect the Records to make Report thereof in what Condition they are.

The Petition of Cecil County, the Petition of Talbot County, the Petition of Kent County, the Petition of Richard Marsden, the Petition of John Baptist Tyler sent up to the

Committee of Laws to prepare Bills on them.

The House adjourns till two o'Clock in the Afternoon.

Post Meridiem

The House met again according to Adjournment. Being called over were all present as in the Morning.

The Message by Col^o Ennalls relating to the Conference upon Remedy of the great Evil of protested Bills &^{ca} Read & resolved that the House concur with the Message by Col^o