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Post Meridiem.

The House met again. Being called over were all present as in the morning

p. 69 Mr Watts of Saint Mary's County enters the House and

took his place.

Colo Smithson's Letter read and his Excellency and Council's Message thereupon Read as follows.

By the Governor and Council in Assembly April 8th 1706

Gent. Herewith is sent you Col^o Smithson's Letter to his Excellency which is referred to your Consideration. If you think fit to gratify the said Smithson, but it must not be out of the Revenue of the Free School that Law being sanctioned in England

Signed p Order W. Bladen Cl. Council.

Upon reading thereof it's resolved the following Message be sent to the Council in Answer Viz.

By the House of Delegates April 10th 1706.

In Answer to your Excy & Hon^{rs} Message of the 8th Instant relating to some Gratification to be made Col^o Smithson this House having considered it is not long since A Gratification was made to the said Col^o Smithson of fifty Pounds for his Services to the Country and they are of Opinion that that Gentleman's Services to the Country are not so very eminent above all others as to deserve a Distinguishment by way of Reward

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

The Petition of M¹⁵ Marg¹ Dorsey brought into the House and ordered to be read and entered as follows.

To the Honble House of Delegates

The Petition of Marg^t Dorsey Exx of Col^o Edward Dorsey deceased.

Your Petition^r humbly conceiving That in Right of her Executrixship the Rent now due for the House your Honours now sit in is due to her being twenty Pounds Sterling which she humbly prays may be allowed.

And your Petitioner shall pray.