

L. H. J. The Petition of John Richard and Jacob Stallings was read  
 Lib. 41. and put to the Question whether a Bill be brought in or not?  
 p. 223 Carried in the Negative

The Petition of Thomas Edmondson the surviving Executor of John Edmondson late of Talbot County deceased praying Leave to bring in a Bill to sell Lands belonging to his Father for Payment of his Father's Debts. Which being read it's thought reasonable. Therefore Resolved a Bill be brought in as prayed.

Col<sup>o</sup> Ennalls from the Honble Council enter the House and desire M<sup>r</sup> Speaker that two Members might attend the Council to see Mad<sup>m</sup> Contee prove her late Husband's Accounts.

Ordered M<sup>r</sup> Philemon Hemsley and M<sup>r</sup> Daniel Mariartee attend the Council for that Purpose.

They return and say they saw her prove the Accounts

Col<sup>o</sup> Whittington's Petition was read and having Leave to speak to it he came into the House and M<sup>r</sup> Speaker having heard what he had to say and so withdrew And the Matter in the Petition contained being debated in the House, It's put to the Question whether Negro Slaves pay Fees or no? Carried in the Affirmative that ffees are due from them & ought to be paid. And put again to the Question whether the County or the Public pay such ffees? Carried by the Majority that the County where the Fact has or shall be committed pay Fees

Recommended to the Committee of Laws that they inspect the Act against Blasphemy and Ordered a Bill be brought in ascertaining how that Fees be paid and insert a Clause how Jurors and Evidences for their Attendance be paid

Col<sup>o</sup> Greenberry and Col<sup>o</sup> Whittington from the Honble Council enter the House and deliver M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Message.

By the Council in Assembly November 1<sup>st</sup> 1709

Gent. We hold it necessary upon our present Meeting tho' some Months after her Majesty's Royal Commands received to acquaint you her Majesty has been pleased to declare her Dissent to the Act empowering the Farmers of the Lord Baltimore's Rents to recover the Arrears thereof after the Expiration of their Lease, and you are to take Notice the said Law is accordingly repealed.

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Co.

And likewise was brought into the House M Attorney General's Report to the Lords of Trade and Plantations upon the Act giving Power to the Farmers to recover the Arrears and upon the Act requiring the Lord Baltimore's Agents to