

U. H. J. M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Young publick Treasurer of the Western Shoar his petition recommended to the Consideration of the House of Delegates

M<sup>r</sup> Bordley Col Maxwell & M<sup>r</sup> Greenfield bring from the House their Recommendation in favour of M<sup>r</sup> Butler.

By the House of Delegates October 31<sup>st</sup> 1710

This House being very well pleased with the learned and good Discourse made by the Rever<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Butler in his Sermon preached before this House on Sunday last in the forenoon do heartily recommend him to the favour of the honble Presid<sup>t</sup> & Council Signed p Order R Dallam Cl Ho Del.

M<sup>r</sup> Daniel Mariartee and M<sup>r</sup> Hill bring up a Bill continuing Queen Ann's County Court at Queen Anns Town which was read at this Board the first & second Times and sent to the House by Col Coursey

M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Taylards petition read & recommended to the House of Delegates

Col Walter Smith M<sup>r</sup> Dare and M<sup>r</sup> Bradford bring up a Bill for ascertaining Persons rights to Town Lands

A Bill confirming the last Will & Testam<sup>t</sup> of Rich<sup>d</sup> Briges

A Bill for building a Court House for Talbott County at Armstrong's old Field near Pitts bridge And the Bill for  
p. 670 continuing the County Court of S<sup>t</sup> Mary's at Seymour Town again read & passed by the House of Delegates which was agreed to by this Board

The Houses Message of the 27<sup>th</sup> October being again taken into Consideration

Resolved that the present Circumstances induces a necessity of Limitting the Jurisdiction of the Provincial Court that the Inhabitants of this Province may not be too much oppressed and burthened by being sued out of their Countys to the Provincial Court when Justice may be administred in the County Courts and Debts more speedily recovered which Practice has occasioned many of her Maty's Subjects here to leave the Province & repair to other Plantations where they are far less serviceable to her Majesty and her Revenue, and more daily leaving the Province the Cost of suit often arising to as much as the Debt besides the Expences of long journeys & longer Attendance on the Provincial Court. Where there are now very many Actions depending and little probability they will be determined in any reasonable Time

Col Finley presents his Accompts of Arms &c Debate for Limitting Provincial Court Jurisdiction The President & Col Coursey not concurring