

A Bill to confirm Lands to Major John Hawkins & Henry U. H. J. Wright

A Bill to confirm a Deed or Release from Susannah Tracy to James Heath of Ann Arundel County Gentl noted—read in your House the first & second time—And the following Message Viz.

By the House of Delegates
Octob^r 30th 1711

This House have considered & Debated the Message and Instructions relating to the Sealing the Copys of the Laws sent to great Britain & cannot see any Reason to induce them to recede from their former Resolve of paying but for two Seals every Session and that only for publick Acts And as for Seals for private Acts have resolved the publick ought not to pay for any but the Persons in whose favour such private Acts pass ought to pay the Same p. 709

We have likewise considered & debated the Message relating to building Houses for Magazines in every County. And have resolved upon the Question put that such Houses are not necessary or convenient to be built but that they will the next Session of Assembly consider of some method to preserve the Arms and Ammunition

Signed p Order R Dallam Cl Ho Del.

The Bill proposed by the House for confirming the Discharge of poor Debtors being read at the Board—It is their opinion that whatsoever has been done in pursuance of that Law & until such Time as her Majesty's Disassent thereto was published here, was & is well done & ought not to be disputed by any of the Courts of this Province provided the Directions of the s^d Law have been duly complied with

And therefore they do not think the Bill now proposed any wise necessary But if the House are of the contrary opinion resolved the Consideration thereof be referred to the next Session after the Arrival of a Governour.

And the same was remarked on the back of the said Bill

The Bill ascertaining the Gauge of Tob^o Hhds & to prevent the cropping Tob^o was read the first & Second Times & so Endorsed will pass.

The Bill empowering Comm^{rs} to lay out Lands for the Nanticoke Indians read the first Time and recommended that the Lands be Vested in some persons and their Heirs capable of taking for the use of those Indians the publick not being so & that there be a Clause in the Law to barr minors Femes Coverts &c And to oblige the Comm^{rs} to return their Proceedings to be recorded in the Secretary's Office & Somersett County Court p. 710