

L. H. J. Whittington, Major Ward, Capt. Trippe, M^r Wright, and M^r Dashfield

They return and say they delivered the Message.

M^r Thomas Robins from the Committee of Laws delivers M^r Speaker a Bill declaring the Continuance of the 12^d p Hhd from the Death of the late R^t Hoⁿble Charles Lord Baltimore until the 29th Day of September next; which was read the first and second Time by especial Order in the House of Delegates and will pass & so indorsed.

The same is sent up to the Hoⁿble Council, by Major Philips, M^r Holdsworth, Major Woolford and M^r Whittington

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The House adjourns till One O'clock in the Afternoon

Wednesday Afternoon

The House met according to Adjournment. Present as in the Morning

John Hall and Philemon Lloyd Esq^{rs} from the Hoⁿble Council deliver M^r Speaker the following Message Viz.

By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly
June the 1st 1715

Gent.

On Receipt of your Message this Day by M^r Tyler & others his Excy was pleased to declare that what you have offered in Relation to my Lord Balt. in laying a Duty of Eighteen Pence p Hhd in Consideration of his Ldps taking his Rents in Tobacco at Two Pence Ster. p pound, he will transmit to his Ldp. when past into a Law and will endeavour to lay the p^{re}sent Circumstances of Maryland concerning his Ldps Rents in so clear a View as he hopes may give Satisfaction both to my Lord and the People who hold Lands under his Ldp. and is pleased further to assure you, that his Ldp. has often done him the Honour to express himself with great Tenderness for the Welfare of this Province. And as his Lordship is a Person of a very distinguishing Judgment you may expect every Thing in Reason you can desire from his Favour. As to the other Part of your Message and particularly in Relation to the advance of the Revenue towards Support of Governm^t this Board do agree thereto and concur the Gauge of the Bulge of Tob^o Hhds be expressed of 36 Inches or under not exceeding 37 on any Accident or Pretence whatsoever.

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Council.