

U. H. J. The honble Tho^s Brooke Esq^r Col Addison & Col Smith say they have delivered their message

The following Message was Sent to the House by Col Coursey & Col Young Viz.

By his Excellency the Governour & the Upper House
of Assembly July the 21st 1716

In answer to the Message by Col Mackall and five more this morning relating to the publick Records of this Province We acquaint you that we have Considered thereof And do approve of your desire that a Bill be brought in this Session pursuant thereto

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Up ho.

The Petition of M^r George Valentine Read & Recommended by his Excellency to the Upper House of Assembly again Recommended by this House to the Lower House Viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly
July the 21st 1716.

The Petitioner M^r George Valentine being a very diligent & industrious Officer residing at the Seat of Government gives his continual Attendance for the dispatch of publick
p. 182 Packetts & also is very ready & Serviceable on many other occasions in the Execution of Justice & Service of this Province

Wherefore We desire you will make him such a suitable Allowance & Gratuity for his Services as may encourage his future Diligence

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Up Ho.

And sent to the Lower House by the honble Col. Addison
Ordered that the Sherriff of Queen Ann's County be wrote to, to keep a Deputy on Kent Island to take Care of all publick Letters & see they be duly dispatched

The Petition of Jonathan Beck of Cecil County Read praying a Fine of one thousand pounds of tob^o imposed on him for not attending as a Jury man in April Provincial Court When at the same time he was so sick he was not able to attend. And the allegation in the said Petition being proved the Fine is ordered to be Remitted.

The Petition of M^r Philemon Hemsley an Inhabitant of this Province Read praying some Ease to the Duty on Rum shipped on Board his own Sloop at Barbadoes which Sloop afterward