

And therefore in order to avoid any Debates that in time to come may arise on the same We desire to be Satisfied whether his Lordship has or shall accept of the s^d 18^d (Allowance being made him for the 5 p Cent & Sallery) on the Condition for raising the Act in the same mentioned for We are unwilling to postpone that matter

Signed p order Tho^s Macnemara Cl Lo Ho.

Which being read and Debated His Excellency the Governour says that tho his Letters from the Lord Proprietary and his Guardian direct him not to alter any thing in the Substance but that he may vary in the Stile of the Law now to be passed for the Application of the 18^d p hh^d Yet he thinks that what the Lower House has proposed is so reasonable that He shall agree thereto on his Lordships behalf provided this Assembly will pass a Vote that in Case he should be obliged by Law to make good to his L^dship the 8 p Cent on Collection of that Duty this Province shall reimburse him the money For that as his Excellency is no gainer by that matter It is very unreasonable he should be a Loser thereby

Which being approved of by this Board was Recommended to the Lower House

A Bill for confirming a Sale of Land from Joseph Bridger Esq^r and his Wife to Tho^s Jones being again read & the House Satisfyed with the payment made by Jones—

Resolved the Bill pass. And being so Endorsed was sent to the Lower House by Col. Tilghman

M^r Hall being indisposed had leave to go home

The Petition of M^r John Broom high Sherriff of Calvert County being read praying that Whereas he entered upon his Office in February 1713 And being obliged to quit it at the three years End so that he cannot possibly collect the publick & private debts he is Entrusted with in that Time the General Assembly would continue him in his Office till the third Tuesday of June next

Resolved that the said Petition be recommended to the Lower House to admitt a Short Bill for his relief And make a provision for the continuing all Sherriffs Who come into their Office under his Circumstances that they may compleat their three years Collections

Sent by the honble Col Smith

The Petition of Richard Evans being read the said Evans having as in his said petition is Sett forth summoned many Evidences by Virtue of Warrants directed, and attended Several days on the Magistrates who made Enquiry into the