

Sent to the Up^r House by Co^l Hoskins M^r Pollard, M^r Bran- L. H. J.
nock M^r Tayler, M^r Hopkins and Cap^t Dallahide.

They return and say they delivered the message

M^r Bordley from the Comittee of Laws delivers M^r Speaker
A Bill laying an Additional duty of 4^h Sterling p poll on
negroes and Irish Servants and it being moved that the former
vote whether the 4^h shall be sterling or Current be reasumed
the Question was putt whether the additional duty shall be
4^h sterl or 4^h Current. Resolved it be Currency and, Ordered
the bill be amended accordingly and that it shall be read to
morrow morning.

And also M^r Bordley delivers M^r Speaker, A Bill for the P. 167
Releif of Peter Sewell which was read the first time & ordered
to be read a second time to morrow morning

The Petition of the Inhabitants and Tradesmen in and about
Annapolis praying that a Law may be made to give them
leave to pay their Leavyes and officers fees in money Com-
puteing To^{bo} at 1^d p pound was read & rejected

The petition of Richard Thatcher praying leave to bring in
a bill to supply the Defect in Conveying 100 acres of land
part of a tract called Levell in Cecill County to him Conveyed
by Rob^t Hughes was read and ordered the said Petition be
referred for Examination to the Com^{ee} of Aggrievances and
make their report thereon to this house with all convenient
Speed.

The house adjournes till 1 in the after noon

And the house was then Called over and the members were
present as in the morning

On a motion made the Question was put whether a bill shall
be brought in giveing liberty to the Inhabitants of this Prov-
ince to pay their leavyes and officers fees in money at the
rate of 1^d p^h or in Tob^o when they please

Resolved in the Negative.

A Bill Impowering the Surviveing Ex^r of the last will and
testament of Rob^t Smith Esq^r of Talbott County decēd to
sell lands for the pay^{tt} of his debts and to make other lands
according to the dēcds will &c: was read the first time and—

Ordered a second reading to morrow in the afternoone.

The humble petition of Will^m Jones a minor of 18 years of
age the son and heir of Thomas Jones late of Sumersett County
decēd praying leave to bring in a bill to Supply the defects of
a certain deed from Joseph Bridgers to the Pet^{er} father in his
life time &c: Which being read—