

Read at this board the Petition of Philip Eilbeck of Kent County Setting forth that he has Been a Prisoner for Debt in Kent County almost Two years and haveing nothing whereby he Can discharge His body from Prison nor any likelihood of Being Discharged

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Prays that an Act may Pass in his favour.

Which is Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House, And according so Endorsed & Sent Down by Philip Lloyd Esq<sup>r</sup> who returns and Says he dld it.

The House Adjourns till to morrow morning

Saturday April 26. 1718

The House meets According to Adjournment & Present as yesterday.

This House having Prepared an Address to his Excellency Presents it to him Viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly

May it please your Excellency.

S<sup>r</sup> Their Lordships approbation of our Proceedings in Assembly as well as those other Consular matters Recommended to their Consideration fills us with the Justest Ideas of the good Effects of Your Excellencys Administration here Your Prudent Conduct on the late Conjunction of Affairs whereby the Dark Intrigues and Secret machinations of a Popish ffaction are in a Great measure Defeated And the Good People of this Province freed from the mortifying apprehensions of a Lord Proprietor Engaged in the Interest of Papists and their Adherents (a notion hath been too Busily handed among the People) doth loudly call for the most Grateful Acknowledgments for it is to Your Excellency's Just Representation That we Owe their Lordships Prudent wise and Agreeable Determination in those matters which have of late Given this Country so much Trouble & Uneasiness so Agreeable Indeed that we may now Venture to say that we are Secure ag<sup>t</sup> farther Attempts of a Restless and Ambitious Party Who not Content with the Indulgence our Governm<sup>t</sup> allow them are now Pushing on their Hazzard of their Present Quiet Rather than Stifle their Aspiring Designs of shareing in Publick Administration of Affaires.

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Indeed S<sup>r</sup> It is with a Great deal of Joy that we see their Lordships my Lord Baltemore & Guilford Engage so Heartily in that Cause, And that they are so farr from giveing any