

L. H. J. They return and say they delivered it
The following Message sent to the upper House by M^r
Stoddert M^r Rousby M^r Dare Maj^r Hawkins and M^r Dollahide
Viz:

By the Lower House of Assembly, June the 3^d 1717.

May it please yo^r Excy and Honour.

Upon Consideracon of that Part of your Excy's Speech and
the 11th Article of his Lpp's Instruccōns relating to the regu-
lating Ordinaries and the Fines for Ordinary Lycences We
find that the Preceeding Assemblies have hitherto Strenuously
insisted th^t those fines were not a Perquisite to the Secretary's
Office to which Purpose We find that the Generall Assembly
of this Province in the yeare 1713 made their humble Address
and remonstrance to her late Majesty Queen Anne &c^a upon
the then Secretary's Claiming a right to those fines Which
therefore We are Unwilling to give up. And forasmuch as
by his Lordship's Instruccōns it seems his Lpp Claims a right
thereto by his Prerogative We are unwilling to intermeddle
therewth But shall humbly address his Lpp that his Lpp will be
favourably Pleased to let those fines be applyed to the use of
Free schoolls within this Province (whose Funds are to small
for the Propagation of Learning) And desire your Excy's
favourable Concurrence wth us in that Address.

Signed p Order. Mic: Jenifer Cl Lor: Ho:

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Col^o Tilghman from the upper House delivers M^r Speaker
the Bill for the Adjournm^t of Baltemore and Talbot County
Courts thus endors'd viz^t

By the Upper House of Assembly June the 3^d 1717.

Read at this board and will pass. Signed p Order.

Jn^o Beard Cl: Upp^r Ho

The Q^t being put whether the Bill Ascertaining the Gauge
and Tare of Tobacco hhd^s &c^a shall be altered as required by
the Lord pro^v or Whether a Message shall be first prepared
Resolved the bill be Altered as proposed and Ordered the
Comittee of Laws Prepare the Bill

The house Adjourns till one a Clock in the Afternoon.

Post Meridiem

The house meet According to Adjournment.

The house being called over Appear as in the forenoone.