

Which foregoing Bills being read are thereto severally U. H. J. thus Written Viz.

August the 3^d 1721

Read and Assented to by the Upper house of Assembly and Signed p order Joh Beale Cl. Up. ho.

Which three Paper Bills of the aforesaid three Engrost bills sent to the Lower house by Col Tilghman who is required to Acquaint them that the aforesaid Engrost Bills are As- p. 75 sented to by this House who returnes and says he Delivered the Paper Bills and Acquainted them Accordingly

His Honour the Governour is pleased to Communicate to this house a Letter by him wrote to the Speaker of the Lower house in relation to the bill for preventing the makeing Trashy Tobacco and for the bettering the Staple of this Province

Which Letter is as follows Viz.

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By an Instruction from the Crown I am required not to pass any Act that may Affect the trade of the Inhabitants of great Brittain Unless such Act shall be made to Commence at least Twelve montis after the makeing thereof, Now as Merch^t Traders will be Obliged to Accept of Hemp and flax Instead of Tobacco it may seem to be within the Design of the said Instruction, And therefore Desire that that part of the Act proposed for the preventing the making Trashy Tob^o & for the bettering the Staple of this Province relating to flax and hemp be made to Commence Accordingly which I hope will be noe Inconvenience Considering the People of this Province Cannot make a Quantity more than to Supply their own Occasions before such time I am

S^r Your Obliged humble Servant
Charles Calvert

P. S. Let such Limitation of time have no Regard to the p. 76 Inhabitants or Officers of this Province but that They be obliged to take it here as if no such Limitacon was made.

Which bill for Preventing the makeing of Trashy Tobacco and for the bettering the Staple of this Province being read is Ordered to be thus Endorst Viz.

By the Upper house of Assembly

August the 3^d 1721

Gentlemen. This bill being read will Pass with the following Amendm^t Viz. (with a Proviso that, that part of the Law