

L. H. J. into your Honours Amendments and therefore insist on the bill sent up by this House.

Signed p Order M. Jenifer Cl. L^o Ho.

Which was Sent to the Upper House by Coll: John Ward and five Others, With the bill aforesaid.

They Return and Say they delivered them.

An Engrost Bill for the Relief of Richard Thatcher and Peter Massey read and Assented to by this House, which being so Endorst was sent to the Upper House by Coll. Ward and Cap^t Codd.

They Return and say they delivered it.

The House Adjourns till two of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Post Merediem:

The House meets According to Adjournment

Coll: Young and Coll: Tilghman from the Upper house deliver M^r Speaker the Explanatory Bill to the Act for preventing the Makeing Trashey Tobacco and the following Message Viz:

By the Upper House of Assembly ffeb. the 26th 1721.
Gentlemen,

Since you seem so Averse to Comply with the Amendments proposed by our house in Relation to the Tobacco Law, We think fit to propose to you the Passing the Bill prepar'd by your house so farr as it is explanatory of that Law, Only excluding the repealing Paragraph, for tho' We are willing to explain & Amend We can by no means consent to Repeal that part of it unless some other Provision be made instead thereof But Since We cannot agree upon any such expedient We think it will be much more acceptable to the good People of this Province if we only explain the Intention of the former Law, than if we should return again without doing any thing to Satisfie the Scrupulous Consciences of those who think they Cannot Safely take the Oaths therein Prescribed.

Signed p order. Sam. Skippon Cl. up Ho.

Thereupon the Question was put whether the former Votes shall be resumed or not.

Carried in the Negative by the Majority of Votes.