U. H. J. And sent by Col^o Tilghman to the Lower House who returns & says he Delivered it.

The Petition of some Inhabitants of Cecil County from the Lower House by M^r Benja Mackal and M^r Chaires thus further indorsed viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly September the 24th 1723 May it Please Your Honours

On Reading the within Petition we Enquired of Mr Attorney General what Steps had been taken Concerning the matters Contain'd therein, who informed the House that he laid such Papers as he had Delivered him relateing thereto before the Justices of the Provincial Court, and that they were of opinion that it was proper to lay them before the Governour and Council upon which we Consider'd the Act of Assembly impowering the County Courts to levy and raise Tobacco to defray the necessary Charges of their Counties and Parishes & are of opinion that as that Act requires the County Clerks to transmit a True Coppy of their several County Levies to the Governour and Council of this Province; so we Conceive that the Examination of the facts Contain'd in this Petition, and whether it be proper to direct a Prosecution thereon is properly determinable by their Honours the Governour and Council

Signed p Order M. Jenifer Clk Lo. Ho.

p. 10 Three Bills from the Lower House by M^r Stoddert and three more viz.

An Act for Reviving an Act intituled an Act for Raising a Duty of three Pence p Hhd on all Tobacco Exported out of this Province, for the uses therein mentioned.

An Act reviving and Continuing the Act for Ascertaining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco Hhds &c.

An Act reviving and Continuing an Act intituled an Act for regulating of ordinaries

All which Bills were thus indorsed severally Viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly Sept^r the 24th 1723 Read the first and second Times by especial Order and will pass

Signed p Order M. Jenifer Cl Lo. Ho.