Read the first time in this House and ordered to lie on the Table U. H. J. The following message is prepared and sent to the Lower House by Charles Calvert Esq^r viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 9th 1728. Gentlemen

On Reading the Bill Entituled An Act to repeal An Act Entituled An Act prohibiting the Importation of Bread Beer flour &ca we perceive you have altered the usual Stile in the Enacting part thereof for which we desire to know your Reasons before we pass that Bill

Signed p Order Geo: Plater Cl. Up. Ho.

Adjourned till to Morrow morning nine of the Clock

Thursday morning October the 10th 1728

October 10

Met again according to Adjournment Present as Yesterday A Message from the Lower House by Captain Robert King & Mr John Courts viz.

By the House of Delegates October the 10th 1728 May it please Your Honours

In Answer to your message by Charles Calvert Esq^r dated Oct^r the 9th 1728 we acquaint your Honours that we are the Deputys, Representatives or Delegates of all the Freemen of Maryland not excepting even your Honours in this Assembly and we therefore think ourselves to have a right to use any of the said Terms

Signed p Order M Macnemara Cl. Ho. Del.

To which the following Answer is prepared and sent by John Hall Esq^r

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 10th 1728 Gentlemen

In Answer to your message by Captain Robert King and Mr John Courts we Observe that the stile to our Laws now in force is not only Agreable to his Lordships Instructions (at the Restoration of his Government to his then Governor) and Agreed to and setled by Consent of both Houses of Assembly as you may perceive by the Journals in July Anno Dom 1716 but Consonant to the Practice of this Province before the Administration of the Government was in the Crown wherefore we think it unnecessary to alter a Stile so well Established

Signed p Order Geo Plater, Cl. Up. Ho.