By the Upper House of Assembly 17th July 1731.

U. H. J.

Gentlemen.

On Reading the Petition of Playter Onely & Stephen Pike herewith sent, We had Occasion to inspect our Act of Assembly for Regulateing the Current money of this Province; And we therein find that the Method prescribed for regulateing the value of all other Silver Coins Except Dog Dollars, and such Coins as are mentioned in the Table, is so uncertain & difficult as renders it Impracticable; And we likewise Observe that there is not any Regulation of Foreign Gold, which is now the chief Currency we have in this Province, We therefore think it Necessary that a bill be prepared this Session for Regulating & Ascertaining the value of Foreign Silver and Gold Coin in this Province, with which if your House Concurs a bill may be prepared Accordingly.

Signed p Order John Ross Cl. Up. Ho.

Adjourned till Monday Morning Eight of the Clock

Monday Morning 19th July 1731 This House met again According to Adjournment

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Present

The Honöble:

Charles Calvert Esq^r Co^l Richard Tilghman Col. Matt. Tilgh. Ward John Rousby Esq^r

Benjamin Tasker Esq^r Phillip Lee Esq^r Co¹ John Rider

Members of the Upper House.

Read the petitions of Richard Roaper Richard Greenway & Thomas Lewis languishing prisoners in Ann Arundell County Goal, and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

Sent by John Rousby Esq^r

Read the Petition of Ashbury Sutton Carpenter praying leave to bring in a bill to Vest him with an Estate in fee in a Lott of Land in the City of Annapolis laid out for a Carpenters Yard, and Rejected.

Read the second time the bill Entituled an Act for the Encouragement of Linnen Cloth within this Province of Flax or Hemp of the Growth thereof, and will pass with the following Amendment Viz.

The Linnen so made to Entitle persons claiming the benefitt of this Act to be seven Eighths of a yard wide at the least, And a Provisoe to be added; Where no such linnen shall be brought; The Justices to Apply the Tobacco so levied to the use of the County the Ensuing Year, Ordered to be so Endorsed.

Sent to the Lower House by Col. Ward.