

Eodem Die post Meridiem

U. H. J.
Lib. No. 33

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the morning

The following Message is sent to the Lower House by Philip Lee Esq^r

By the Upper House of Assembly 16th April 1735

Gentlemen

In answer to your Message of 15th Instant by M^{rs} Hooper & Matthews we assure you that with great Concern we observe the difficulties the Inhabitants of this Province labour under in the paym^t of their Quit Rents to his Ldship & we heartily wish the late lower House of Assembly had better considered the advantages they received from the Revenue Law then in Being and which might have been Still preserved if it had been accepted by that House for the Term of three years as it was offered

As this House is Sensible of the present general Calamity of the good People of this Province occasioned by the Loss of that Law a Law which we may justly affirm was one of the best we ever had so we are and always shall be ready to Join with your house in any expedient that can be thought of to give Relief in this Case but it seems reasonable to this House that before any Address be prepared to present to his Ldship on this occasion Some measures ought to be considered of to raise an Equivalent for his Rents otherwise it will be an Address without any Solid Foundation and a Proposal of a payment to be made his Lordship instead of his Rents without any thing to pay them withall these previous Requisites being performed this House will be ready to Join with your House in any Address that shall be thought proper to obtain the desired Effect

Signed p order John Ross Ct Up Ho.

M^{rs} George and Johnson from the Lower House attend with Col Jn^o Ward a member Elected for Cecil County in the room of Col Ephraim Augustin Herman dec^d in order to see him qualifyed who takes the Oaths to the Govern^t appointed to be taken by Act of Assembly and Subscribes the Abjuration & Test & then withdrew.

An Engrossed Bill from the Lower House by M^{rs} Hawkins & Edmondson entituled an Act empowering the Rector Vestrymen & Church Wardens of King and Queen Parish in S^t Mary's & Charles County's to purchase two Acres of Land in the said Parish in S^t Mary's County to build a Church on and for raising a fund as well to compleat the s^d purchase & Building as to repair Newport Church