$_{\rm Lib.~No.~55}$  Ordered that the Committee of Laws prepare a Bill to aid the  $_{\rm Lib.~No.~55}$  Defects in probates of Last Wills and Testaments.

The Hous Adjourned untill 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon

Post Merediem The House met according to Adjournment &c.
M<sup>r</sup> Tench Francis a Representative of Talbot County appeared in
the House this Afternoon

George Plater Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Up<sup>r</sup> House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Message (See page 8.)

M<sup>r</sup> Speaker Communicated to this House the following Letter with the Copy of His Lordships Instruction to Benjamin Tasker Esq<sup>r</sup> his Lo<sup>pps</sup> Agent Inclosed therein Viz.

To the Honble the Speaker of the Lower House of Assembly

M<sup>r</sup> Speaker. By the Directions of His Excy the Governour I Lay before you a Copy of one of His Lo<sup>pps</sup> Instructions to me relateing to foreign whole Gold and Silver that which relates to Cut Gold I Cant at present find, I think it is at three pounds the ounce I receive it so of the farmers and receivers

I am Sir your most Humble Servant

Benjamin Tasker 5th May 1735

Copy of His Lordships The Right Honourable the Lord Baltimore p. 692 his 4 Instruction Dated at London the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1735

You shall Take no foreign Gold at above three pounds Sixteen Shillings and nine pence and Silver at five Shillings p ounce that being the price it bares here

Copy . . . . Benja Tasker

The House Adjourns untill to morrow morning at 9 of the Clock

May 6

## Friday morning May 6th 1737

The House met according to Adjournment &ca

The Question was put whether the House will now Take into Consideration a Method for Altering the payment of the 40 p poll and Officers fees or not, resolved in the Negative.

On motion of a Member ordered a Bill be brought in to Direct and Admit the prosecutions of Accessarys to Horse Stealers &c where the principals fly from Justice before Conviction

Philip Lee Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Up<sup>r</sup> House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker a petition of the Vestry Church Wardens and principall Inhabitants of S<sup>t</sup> Stephens Parish on the North Side of Sassafras Indorsed referred Here by the Up<sup>r</sup> House which Petition was here read and Granted.