

L. H. J. each of the Counties in this Province; the Residue to be applied  
 Liber No. 51 to the defraying the Expences of the said College.  
 May 5

All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed p Order, Richard Tilghman [Third], Clerk.

Which was Read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Ringgold brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, An Act to establish a Market at the Market-House in Chestertown, Kent County, and for the Regulation of the said Market; Read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Govane appears in the House.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker the following Message :

p. 414 Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

As an Answer to the former Part of your Saturday's Address, concerning Mr. Darnall, the late Naval Officer of Patuxent District, I take the Liberty to communicate to you (and I desire they may be entered on your Journal) an Address that was presented to me last Tuesday by the Gentlemen of the Upper House (together with a Copy of the whole Report, of which you have been pleased to give me an Extract) a Letter that I thereupon wrote to his Lordship's Attorney-General, and his Answer, a Message which I sent to the Gentlemen of the Upper House the 30th of last Month, and another Address from them in Answer thereto; also Two Letters which I afterwards wrote to his Lordship's Attorney-General, and the Commissioners of the Loan-Office, with a second Answer from the Attorney-General; by which, I hope, you will be convinced, that before I received your Address I had taken every Step in my Power to prevent the Public's suffering Loss by Mr. Darnall's Misdemeanor.

If you recur, Gentlemen, to those Addresses of the Lower House to me, wherein Mr. Darnall was carpt at some Years ago, you will perceive that he was only objected to on Account of his supposed Attachment to the Principals of the Church of Rome notwithstanding he had, by a previous Compliance with every Test proposed by the Laws of Great-Britain and this Province, afforded a full Attestation of his Conformity to our present happy Establishment both in Church and State; but never did that House suggest to me, not the least Room did they give me to suspect, that he wanted the Requisites which you think ought, in all Promotions to Places of Profit and Trust, to be the principal Recommendation to Favour.

He had been in Office many Years before I arrived in the Province, and as far as I could learn, had executed it with Impartiality and