

U. H. J. for Sincking and replacing the whole by an equal Assessment in  
 Liber No. 35 all Estates real and Personal, and Lucrative Offices and employments  
 Dec. 18 and Will not pass, sent to the Lower House by Col.<sup>o</sup> Charles Ham-  
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Adjourned till to Morrow Morning at 10 of Clock

Dec. 19

Tuesday Morning 19<sup>th</sup> December 1758.

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as yesterday

Read the Petition of James Matthews of Baltimore County Late  
 press master Praying relief referred to the Consideration of the  
 Lower House and Sent by Benedict Calvert Esq.<sup>r</sup>

Adjourned till 3 of the Clock in the afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the Morning

Read the Petition of the Ex.<sup>rs</sup> of John Paca jun.<sup>r</sup> Late of Balti-  
 more County deceased Praying relief referred to the Consideration  
 of the Lower House and sent by Benedc.<sup>t</sup> Calvert Esq

Ordered that Col.<sup>o</sup> Tasker and Daniel Dulany Esq examine and  
 Inspect the Accounts of the agents appointed by the £40,000 Act  
 and make report thereupon to this House

Col.<sup>o</sup> Hammond and Col.<sup>o</sup> Tasker are sent to the Lower House  
 to acquaint the Speaker that his Excellency requires his attendance  
 with the Lower House in the Upper House immediately

The Lower House attend and his Excellency is pleased to make  
 the following Speech

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly

In Consequence of an Intimation from the Lords of Trade and  
 plantations the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary hath Com-  
 p. 386 manded me to recommend it to you to agree and prepare a Bill  
 for obliging the masters of all Vessels that shall Come to this Pro-  
 vince through the Capes of Virginia to pay a duty of two pence Sterling  
 a Ton towards building a Light House on Cape Henry and keeping  
 a Light therein, the said Duty to Commerce from the Time that a  
 Similar Act shall be made by the Legislature of virginia for the Same  
 purpose and the amount thereof or a part of it to be expended and  
 paid Annually inproportion to what shall be Expended and Applied  
 every year out of the money that Shall be received from the masters  
 of Vessels Trading to virginia