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shewn, Permit us to observe that no Writ ever Issues out of the County Court or any other Inferior Court in England returnable to a Superiour, and yet by the Present Bill Replevins out of the County Court may be returnable into the Provincial, which on a further Consideration, in Consequence of your Intimation, that the Constitution of our Courts ought to be as perfect as Possible, we think would be rather incongruous and might be Inconvenient.

You are pleased to Observe in your Message that Replevins are generally prosecuted by needy Tenants, but we have been well informed that they have issued, in four Instances out of five at the least, where there has been no Distress at all, but upon Contests of Property, and therefore, (if our information be true) in regard to this extensive Operation of the Bill the 52:nd of Henry 3:rd does not apply to the Subject.

Signed by Order. UScott Cl. Up. Ho.

Read the Petition of Edward Tilghman, Solomon Wright, Mary Wright, Francis Barnes jun.^r, Philemon Murphey, and James Coursey of Queen Anns County, and Thomas Coursey, John Coursey and Daniel Kellum of Talbot County and referred the same to the Consideration of the next Session of Assembly and the Clerk is directed to inform the Petitioners, that they do give Notice to all Persons, interested against the Passage of a Bill as prayed by the Petition such Notice, to be at least one Month before the beginning of the next Session.

On Motion made, Daniel Dulany Esq. brings in a Bill, Entitled An Act relating to Replevins, which was Read the first and Second time by an Especial Order in this House and will Pass—So Endorsed and sent by Walter Dulany Esq.

Read the Second time, in this House, the Bill Entitled An Act for inforcing the Payment of Public Monies, and will Pass—with the following Amendment Viz.^t After the word "Commissioners" in the last line of the first Page, insert the following words, Viz.^t "having.

p. 435 first applied for and obtained his Excellency the Governor's Approbation."

So Endorsed and Sent by Walter Dulany Esq. Adjourned until three of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Post Meridiem.

This House met again according to Adjournment.

Present as in the Morning.

Read the Second time, in this House, the Bill Entitled An Act for the Relief of certain Languishing Prisoners in the Several Goals, therein Mentioned, and will Pass with the following Amendments