

It being moved by a member of this House that Mr. Richard Tilghman Sheriff of Talbot County had levied and collected from the People of the said County more Tobacco than was due of the publick Levy and being told thereof he notoriously abused the whole Commission of that County saying it was the Ignorance of the Comm^{rs} that did not cast up the Levy right or to that Effect

That this appearing to be true upon Examination by the Testimony of several Members of this House and Comm^{rs} of that County Resolved Nemine Contradicente that a Message be sent up to the Upper House to acquaint his Honour the Capt^l General herewith and it is the humble Request of this House that his Honour will be pleased to Cause such condign punishment to be inflicted upon the Person or Estate of him the said Sheriff Mr. Tilghman as his Lordship the Governour or Upper House of Assembly shall think fit & convenient and that Capt^l Lloyd and Mr. Weeks do Carry up this Message

Signed by order of the Lower House of Assembly
Robert Carville Clk

Upon Debate whereof this House were of Opinion that the Lower House should first draw up a particular Charge against Mr. Tilghman Sheriff of Talbot County and that then they will Summon him before them and do therein according to Justice

The House Adjourned till two of the Clock in the Afternoon and then all the said Persons again meeting The Lower House sent their Answer to this House Concerning the forementioned Inquisition in these Words

Thursday the 30th March 1671

This House having resumed the debate upon the Message to them sent by the Upper House touching the Writt of Mandamus Inquisition by them sent to this House, and upon the Question put Resolved by this House upon the Information of a Member of this House that the Lands in the Inquisition mentioned Called Lewis Neck was really the Estate of Lieuten^t William Lewis and that he died Seized thereof by virtue of a Grant and special Warrant from his Lordship for his good Service as appeared to the said Member by the