

Upper house will return the said Bill to this house.

Signed P. Order Boteler C of the Lower house

This house being given to understand that Edward English was now since the sitting of this Assembly taken here in Execution at the Suite of John Rousby concerning Joseph Spernon for letting the said Spernon Escape or go at Large after he had taken him in Execution at the said Rousby's Suit the said English being Sheriff of Cecil County and finding the said English a prisoner in the Custody of the Sheriff of this County of Ann Arundell; It is Ordered that the said Edward English and the Sheriff of Ann Arundell County forthwith appear before this house.

Then came the said Edward English and the Under Sheriff of Ann Arundell County; His Lordship the Lord Proprietary being then present in this house Declared that he had Commanded the said English hither upon Publick Business It was therefore Ordered by this house that the Sheriff of Ann Arundell County suffer the said English to be at Liberty untill the End of this Sessions of Assembly The said Execution being at this time unduely Served

Then was read again the Petition of Joseph Spernon and thereupon Major Trueman sent to the Lower house with this Message.

Upper house 11th of October 1683

This house hath presented to them a Petition of Joseph Spernon wherein Mr. John Rousby a member of the Lower house is concerned; This house desires to know if the Lower house will give Leave to the said Mr. Rousby to appear in this house this afternoon and be present at the Examination of the whole matter, The said Spernon having not been Viva Voce heard in this house

Signed P. Order Tho. Guerin C of the Lower house

He returns.

Then appeared the said Mr. Rousby and Spernon, and the Petition and the matter contained therein discovered and they Ordered to withdraw

Mr. Rousby and Joseph Spernon came again into this house and the matter between them Debated and Depositions read and the further Debate referred till Mr. Rousby have further leave from the Lower house -

Coll Digges and Mr. Secretary Darnall sent to the Lower house with a List of the places for Towns Nominated by his Lordship and Upper house which is as followeth

St. Maries County.

1. The City of St. Maries -

2 Brittons Bay John Bayleys or Saunts

3 at the Indian Town at Chaptico his Lordships Mannor

Kent County -

1 Shipping Creek his Lordship being resolved to lett Kent Island be a County itself as formerly -

Ann Arundell County

1. Town Land at Proctors

2 South River Coll Burges's Land by gift of Coll Burges

3 Tarring Creek on the Town Land

Charles County

1. Digges purchase by Gift of Coll Digges in Wicocomoco River