

The Petition of the Orphans of Henry Lewis being presented and read in this house and a Member of this house affirming to this house that the said Orphans are grievously injured by the fraud of their said Father in Law, this house do desire the Upper house to take the said Petition into their Serious Considerations and give directions to the Judges in Testamentary Causes to do therein what by the laws and precedents of this Province can be done for relief of the Petitioners and for securing what little remains of their Estate within this Province -

Signed J. Order Boteler of the Lower house of Assembly.

The house Adjourned for an hour then sat again present as before and Coll Thomas Sailer

A Petition of Sarah Harris read and referred to Coll Sailer the Persons concerned Living in Ann Arundell County -

Coll Stevens goes to the Lower house with this ensuing Message in Writing as followeth Viz: Upper house 31 October 1683

This house received a Message from the Lower house of the 21th Instant wherein the Lower house Express their Thankfullness to his Lordship for his great love and affection towards the Good People of this Province expressed in his Speech at the opening this Assembly and more particularly in convening this Assembly and appointing his Lordships Provincial Court to be held in this Place so near the Center of this Province and therein the Lower house did pray his Lordship to signify to both houses what place his Lordship Intends all future Assemblies Provincial Courts and Offices shall be held and kept at, that they might take speedy Course to make provision of Buildings fit for the Reception thereof -

This house have requested of his Lordship that he would be pleased to Declare his Mind and intention in the Matter aforesaid Whereupon his Lordship hath Declared to his two houses of Assembly that at what Place in Ann Arundell County there shall be Conveniency built fit for the Reception of his Lordship and Council - Upper and Lower houses Provincial Courts and Offices for Clerks, there his Lordship his heirs and Successors Lords and Proprietaries of this Province will hold the Assemblies and Courts aforesaid for the future unless upon Occasion he or they shall think fit that the same be removed, and that this Matter may receive more speedy Dispatch, this house do Nominate Coll Henry Darnall and Major Thomas Freeman Members of this house to join with Members of the Lower house as a Committee for that Affair -

Signed J. Order Thomas Greenwin of Upper

- He returns having Delivered the same to the Lower house
- An Act of Gratitude and providing a support for the Right Hon^{ble} Charles
- An Act for Ascertaining the true force and Validity of the Laws
- An Act for Repeale of certain Laws

The same Acts read and sent down to the Lower house by Coll Darnall and Major Freeman with this ensuing Message which is Upper house 1 Nov^r 1683

This house will Joyn with his Lordship in paying his Lordships his Directing the manner of electing Burgeses & also one or more