

date the ... day of October 1697 and is returnable before his Majesty's Justices of the said Court the Sixth day of April ensuing, for as much as Mr. Thomas Greenfield Sheriff of the County of ... hath appointed the fourteenth instant for the executing thereof, and it so happening that Col. Ninian Beale and William Hutchison Delegates for the County aforesaid and Members now actually attending this House, are principally concerned therein, the said Col. Beale as owner of the said Land, and Mr. Hutchison as an Evidence to the Meets and Bounds thereof, and cannot well be spared out of the House.

These are therefore to require the said Sheriff to desist and put off the executing of the said Warrant until the sixth day after the breaking up of this Session of Assembly, to the end the said Col. Beale and Mr. Hutchison may attend thereon.

Signed by Order, W. Bladen Clk. House of Deb.

Appointed to by his Ex^{ty} and his Majesty's Hon^{ble} Council.

Hen. Denton Clk. Council.

Then appointed of the Committee of Grievances.

Mr. James Sanders, Mr. W^m Harris, Mr. George Ashman, Mr. Synner Willmer and Mr. William Hutchison.

Saturday March 12th 1697. House Met.

Read Over what was done yesterday - Mr. William Taylor, added to the Committee of Grievances. Leave given to Major Walter Smith to go and adjourn Calvert County Court and return with all expedition.

Ordered that the Sec^y attend bring Thomas Gray the person that arrested Mr. Miller's Serv^t before this House.

The said Thomas Gray being brought before the House said that which he arrested Sam^l Manthop, the said Manthop never told him that he belonged to any of the Members of this House, but that so soon as he knew it he did not restrain him of his Liberty, and begging pardon of the House for his Ignorance is Excused and dismissed.

The House resolved themselves in to a grand Committee of the whole House and Choose Mr. Philip Clarke Chairman thereof.

The Committee being adjourned to the House and Mr. Treasurer having taken the Chair.

Mr. Clarke reports that the Committee do conceive it most for the Honor of the Government that when his Ex^{ty} please to confer with the House, that they should wait upon him at the Council Chamber and that the House send a Message to his Ex^{ty} that he would be pleased to forbear that practice.

House adjourned till 12 of the Clock.

Post Meridie, House Met.

Mr. Thomas Hicks and the other delegates for Dorchester County, &c.