

And likewise that this House pray his Excellency to appoint two of the Honble Council to join with them and that a Bill may be prepared to give them Authority to do the same to which the concurrence of his Excellency & Council is prayed.

Signed by Order W. Taylard ~~the~~ Ho. Do.

Sent up to his Excellency & Council by Mr Hugh Eccleston & Mr John Hudson.

William Holland and James Sanders Esq^s from the Honble Council enters the House & delivers Mr Speaker the following Message

By his Excellency the Governour Council in Assembly Decemb^r 7th 1701
Gent^l The misfortune of Ann Arundel County is particularly deplorable in the loss of all their Records being burnt in the publick Court House and requires your best thoughts to relieve the many Confusions & Complexities that County lies under: Wherefore we desire your Advice and Assistance in framing some Law which may settle the Minds of the Inhabitants there & confirm the Rights of several now fresh in Memory which by Length of Time ^{may} be worn out to the Prejudice of many. Signed by Order W. Bladon of Council -

Upon reading the foregoing Message it is resolved by the House that Liberty is given to bring in a Bill for Relief of the Inhabitants of the said County and that the Gent^l Members of the said County prepare a Bill accordingly and Message to be prepared for the Councils Concurrence

Ordered the following Message be sent up to the Council

By the House of Delegates Dec^r 7th 1701

Upon reading your Honours Message this Day by Cole Holland & James Sanders Esq^s for Assistance in framing a Bill for Relief of the Inhabitants of Ann Arundel County in Relation to their Records burnt in the Court-House this House have fully considered the same and resolved that leave is given the County to bring in a Bill for their Relief and ordered that the Delegates of the said County prepare a Bill for that Purpose to which your Hon^{rs} Concurrence is prayed. Signed by Order W. Taylard ~~the~~ Ho. Do.

And likewise ordered the following Message to be sent up

By the House of Delegates December 7th 1701

This House finding some Agreement has been made about the House of Cole Edward Dorsey for Assembly & Provincial Courts to sit in but lies in the Hands of Cole Hammond which could not readily be laid before the House: Therefore Cole Dorsey being present proposes to lease the House with two Lots to the Public for their Use one Year certain for twenty Pounds Sterling & so at that Rate for any longer Time to which this House consents and prays the Concurrence of his Excellency & Council. Signed by Order W. Taylard ~~the~~ Ho. Do.