

The upper house deliver Mr Sparks the following message which being read was with  
P.M.P. By the upper house of Assembly July 21<sup>st</sup> 1716  
In answer to your message this morning by Mr Mackall & five others -  
relating to the publick records are acquaint you that we have considered thereof, and  
doe approve of your desire, that a bill be brought in this session pursuant thereto

signed P. orles, W. Bladen, P. P. & house.  
Which being read It is thereupon ordered that the Committee of Laws propose  
& bring in a bill accordingly.

The humble petition of George Valentine praying an enlargement of his Salary  
for conveying of publick packets and letters this (Protest) 21<sup>st</sup> 1716  
By his Serjts the Good July 21<sup>st</sup> 1716

A Justice to the petitioners I must Declare that he has duly discharged his duty on the posthulls  
within mentioned with a great deal of Diligence charge and trouble and therefore I think fit  
to recommend him to the consideration of the upper & lower houses of this present General  
Assembly and desire they will consider his services signed P. orles, W. Bladen P. P. & house.

By the upper house of Assembly July 21<sup>st</sup> 1716  
The petitioners Mr George Valentine being a very diligent and industrious officer  
residing at the seat of Government gives his continual attendance for the dispatch of  
publick packets and also is very ready and serviceable on any other reasons with the  
execution of Justice and service of the Province Mr W. Bladen desire you will  
make him such a suitable allowance for his services as may encourage his  
future diligence. signed P. orles, W. Bladen P. P. & house.

The following message being prepared was ordered to be sent as follows.  
By the lower house of Assembly July 21<sup>st</sup> 1716

May It please your Serjts. In answer to your message by Mr Sparks  
Thomas Brooke Esq. & Thomas Addison, and Mr Thomas Smith, concerning

not be thought necessary to mention any thing in the former hereafter to be made  
of the right Hon. W. Bladen's Serjts minority or of his noble Guardian for the title  
in his Natural Capacity and therefore minority cannot divide him to pass the law  
and hope your Serjts and House's concurrence will not be wanting in that particular  
tho' the stile used when the Lord Prop's noble ancestors had the Government of this  
Province was recommended to us, as the first stile to use in our laws, yet we are so well  
satisfied with the reasonableness of his Serjts opinion, in respect to changing the  
Government that we agree that the stile to be used shall be as follows (W. Bladen) By the  
Right Hon. the Lord Prop's by and with the advice and consent of his Lordships your  
noble and the upper and lower houses of Assembly and by the authority of the same  
of which we hope your Serjts and House's will signify your approbation and so to  
that part of your message which intimates his Lordships Directions for retaining  
all the laws which were revised since his most Gracious Majesty's happy accession  
to the throne, which indeed are all the laws of Maryland now in force considering all  
due care and application of the Legislature of this Province has been so lately used  
in forming them so as to be useful and beneficial to the People and that we are not  
sensible that any material addition can now be made in them, and for that we  
renewing them now for the sake of a stile words look like questioning the authority