His Excellency having Communicated this letter to us and Informed us that the Lord Benedict Baltemore dyeing before he could declare his acceptance of the 2d p.ct on the termes in the Law proposed was the occasion that the said duty was not collected by his Lordships receiver and for asmuchas the Assembly have appointed a Reward for those officers that have gathered that duty who have done their offices and must be satisfied therefor and that he is of opinion some reasonable recompense ought to be made the present Lord Proprietary for the defalcation of the officers Sallary since Michas last We think his Exc.ys opinion is highly reasonable that such recompence be made to his Lordship therefor and to recomend it to your house to consider of the ways and means ——— Signed p order Bladen C. Upp.r Ho:

Which being considered the following Message was prepared

By the Lower house of Assembly July 28th 1716

May it please your Hon.r On reading Mr Carolls Letter to his Excellency of this day together with your Message thereunder written relating to a Compensation to be made to the Lord Proprietary for the Severall Sallarys of 8 & 5 p Ct. on the 18 p hh.s provisionally granted to the Hon.ble Benedict Lord Baltemore in consideration of his acceptance of his rents in Md at 2d p.lb We are of opinion that the said duty Subject to the payment of the said Sallarys is a Sufficient Compensation for his accepting of Md at 2d p.lb for his land rents and therefor Cannot agree to Laying any fund to answr the said Sallarys ——— Signed p order Tho. Macnemara C.L. Ho:

Sent to the Upper house by Coll Maxwell Mr Hill Mr Pollard and Mr Brannock ——— They return and say they delivered it

Coll Coursey from the Upper house delivers Mr Speaker the following Message Viz.t

By the Upper house of Assembly July 28th 1716

Gent.n On reading your last Endorsment on the Bill for the better Securely of the peace and Safety of his Lordships Government and the Protestant Interest Within this Province We assure you it never was our Intention to derogate from any of the acts of Assembly mentioned in the said Endorsment and therefore shall retaine the bill for further Consideration

Signed p order Bladen C. Upp.r Ho:

A Bill Impowering the Survivers &c of Robert Smith Esq.r decd to Sell Lands &c: was read the second time according to the order of Yesterday and will pass and so Endorsed Which bill together with the Bill Supplying a defect in John Paramores Will was sent to the upper house by John Rousby Esq.r Mr William Young, Maj.r Hawkins and Mr Hanson

They returne and say they delivered them.

Coll Coursey from the Upper house delivers Mr Speaker a bill Lying an additional duty of 4.lb p poll on Negroes and Irish Servants thus Endorsed.

By the Upper house of Assembly July 28th 1716