

May it please your honours

This house are not willing to alter the Sale of the Said Smithsons Lands but that they Remain to be Sold Generally towards Satisfying the parties injured by the warranty therein Mentioned their Several Damages and Costs but are willing the Several Devises shall have the Liberty of redeeming their respective Estates from them as well to the heirs as to the Linnament in making the Widow Wrightson Restitution for the Rents she has paid and of Adding Cost Diligence in the Head of Mr. Daskill was agreed with your Honour with us if your Honour Concurs - The bill may be amended and will pass

Signed & Order M. Junifer Esq. Co. Ho. —
And sent to the Upper house by Mr. Hill and Col. Woolford —

They return and say they delivered it —
The Petition of John Bagert against the Land Comm^{rs} of St. Marks County read and referred to next Session and Ordered the parties concerned have notice to appear there —

The Petition of John Halle Esq. read and referred till next Session —
Phill. Lloyd Esq. from the Upper house delivers Mr. Speaker a Bill empowering Com^{rs} to sell the Lands and personal Estates of the two Smithsons with the following Message viz —

By the Upper house of Assembly April 7th 1720 —
Gentlemen, The Amendment proposed to the bill for sale of Colo Smithson of Salbot County and Tho^s Smithson of Dorchester County Gen^l Lands we think requires the Amendment we proposed for the preferring the Devises to Publick and Divine uses to those that are only to private persons since we apprehend the Devises lay not under any particular obligation to the Private Devises more than to the Publick and in acts of more Generosity and Good will; we think those for a Publick Benefit ought to be prefer'd to any private one. by how much a General Good is preferable to any particular one, with which Amendment the Bill will pass. — Signed & Order John Beale Esq. Up. Ho. —

Which was read and Ordered the bill be Amended accordingly —

The house adjourns till to Morrow Morning Eight Clock
Tuesday March 2nd The house meets according to adjournment Yesterday
April 9th 1720 Proceedings are read —

Esq. Halle with two others from the Upper house delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message viz —

By the Upper house of Assembly April 9th 1720 —

Gen^l On perusing the Supplementary Act to the Act intituled an Act for Settling a Revenue on his Majesties present Governour and your Message relating thereto, His Excellency expresses great Satisfaction at your Approbation of his Conduct in the Administration of this Government and takes the