

Tho: Smithson of Talbot County &c: - Read with the Amendments an
will pass which was so Endorsed. and sent to the Upper house by Mr: Hill and Col
Woolford. - They return and say they delivered it. -

Ordered the following Message be prepared viz^t
By the Lower house of Assembly April 29th 1720 -

May it please your Excellency &c: Hon^{rs} -

Mr: Speaker having Communicated to this house your Excellency's Letter of
the 9th Instant, we have inspected our late Address to their Lordships touching
the Sundry Depositions. Prosecutions against many Inhabitants of this Province
as Debtors or Supposed Debtors to the Crown and take the same to be set forth on
just reasons, but are extremely surprized and sorry to find that the
Commiss^{rs} of his Majesty's Customs have not been pleased to take under
their Considerations the several hardships complained of but contrarywise
have rather justified the said proceedings and accused your Excellency of
retarding those Affairs which we are clearly of Opinion your Excellency
has in no wise deserved as may appear by the Entries on the Logg^{rs} of the
Chancery Court For we are so well satisfied with your Excellency's Integrity
and Justice during your Administration as Chancellor that the most invide
ous of your Enemies cannot in any wise make out the least charge of
Partiality or Corruption and are sorry your Excellency thro' any unjust
misrepresentations against you to their Lordships should indeed you
to give up the scales Tho' when we consider the just reasons laid
down in your Excellency's Speech in Council on that Occasion we
cannot but applaud your Excellency's prudence in giving up your
Trust to preserve your integrity which we believe no power on Earth
can remove from you Signed & Ordered M: Jenifer G: Lo: ho: -

And sent to the Upper house by Mr: Lee Mr: Walter Smith
Esq: Rowley Capt: Ryder Mr: Catwale and Mr: Sathiel

They return and say they delivered it. -
The following Message being prepared viz^t - By the Lower house
of Assembly April 29th 1720 -

May it please your Hon^{rs} -

In answer to your Message of the 15th Instant by John Hall Esq:
This House conceives that the reasons of the Conference for referring the
Subject matter of the Confirmed Title next Session was well ground
ed especially considering the Hon^{ble} Conference of your House was
pleased to make the same judgment in relation to the short
Duration of this Session to which might be added the Incon-
sequences might have attended such precipitate proceedings as
well as the Probability of Laying this under a deserved Censure

Signed & Ordered M: Jenifer G: Lo: ho:
Was sent to the Upper house by Mr: Lee and five others - They
return and say they delivered it.

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