

The Cyants Cause if what we have said will not Incline you to Repeal that Law and that any Inconvenience happen to the good People of this Province for want thereof we hope it will not be Imputed to want of Consideration in our part of the Legislature

Which was read and Resolved that the Law for Limiting the Continuance of Actions be enacted with provision for the several Suits and a fine of twenty pounds in the Court and ten pounds in the County Courts if the Plaintiff suffer by the Attorneys Neglect besides paying Costs - Col^l: Addison from the Upper House Delivers the following Message by J^r: Dupperhouse of Assembly July the 26th: 1721 Gentlemen you having had His Lordships Speech for perusal ever since the beginning of this Session we desire you will now let us have the perusal thereof

In answer to which the following Message was prepared - Signed J^r: Order John Beale of the Upper House

By the Lower House of Assembly July the 26th: 1721 - May it please your Honor In answer to your Message of this day by Col^l: Addison this house being informed that a true Copy of his Lordships Speech attested by our Clerk has been delivered your Clerk are of Opinion that the Original Speech ought to be Lodged in this house according to their Ancient Custom Provided

and sent to the Upper house by Mr Lee and Mr Benson, they not say they delivered it The Petition of Isaac Johns read and referred till next Session - The Petition of Joseph Brown a prisoner praying to be set at Large was read and referred till Saturday next and Ordered that Mr Thomas Spinks have notice thereof

The house Adjourns till One o'clock in the afternoon

Post Meridieum The house meet according to Adjournment - Mr James Cambiber late Member of Cecil County according to the Warrant against him appearing in Custody of the Sergeant of this house and alleging holding Material in his Chest - the Question was put whether he shall be fined or not, carried in the Negative by the Majority of Votes - Thereupon Ordered that he pay the Sergeant twenty Shillings besides his Expenses and ten Shillings to the Clerk and five Shillings to the Door keeper and Ordered he be in Custody till they are paid

Col^l: Addison and Col^l: Felghman from the Upper house Delivered to Mr Speaker the following Message by J^r: Dupperhouse of Assembly July the 26th: 1721 Gentlemen we are not willing to believe but that you have read & in some measure considered our Message of the 22^d Instant by Col^l: Ward tho' by your Opinion of the 24th in Relation thereto it might seem otherwise - We do not propose to you the Enlargement of the punishment but that the punishment already appointed (the quantity whereof you do not object ag^t) might be duly inflicted - On the offenders, In vain is it to proportion punishments to offenders if the method of bringing offenders to punishment be rendered Impracticable as many years Experience Demonstrates this to be - Gentlemen we take it that tho' this fine of One hundred pounds of Tobacco be but small in it self yet in the consequence of it the Honor and Safety of our Country is much concerned upon the disposition of this Law depends the whole regulation of the Malitia for that is this - Only lay upon them to Obey and Obedience is Essential to Discipline and Discipline to Defense and even in the time of the most happy Tranquility

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