

publick Charge, Signed for Geo. John Beard Clerk of the House
which was read and ordered the Committee of Law to pass a bill
for their relief

Col. Holland from the M^o House delivered Mr. Speaker,
the following Message vizt -

By the upper house of Assembly May the 5th 1718 -
Gent. For as much as this House has laid before this house as an
aggravance that for three years past there has but very few patents
come forth of Mr. Cannells office to the prejudice of those who
have paid for drawing the same & John Beale Esq. one of the
members of your House knowing something thereof we desire leave
of your House for the said Mr. Beale to attend this House to in-
form us therein Signed for Geo. John Beard Clerk of the House

Whereupon the said Mr. Beale went accordingly -
& a Bill for removing Prince Georges County Court House was
read the first time and ordered a second reading in the afternoon

The House adjourns till one of the Clock in the afternoon,
Post Meridien - The House meets according to adjournment

The Petition of Maurice Birchfield Esq. was read and
he being heard by Council stands according to the prayer of his
petition - Resolved that the same be referred till next Session
and ordered that the Clerk of this House write three copies of a
letter to Chilton and Robinsons Agents give them notice of this
petition to be sent to Mr. Stephen Knight by him to be sent there -
which was so ordered

Afterwards on a Motion made for withdrawing the same
petition, it is delivered to Tho. Maeremara Esq. on behalf of the
said Birchfield

Col. Young from the upper house delivered Mr. Speaker the
following Message vizt -

By the upper house of Assembly May 5th 1718.

Gent. This Excy reminding us of the Act made in June 1715 for
continuing the payment of the twelve pence of the from the death of
the right Honourable Charles Lord Baltimore to y^e 29th of
September following we think it very Convt. that you should
enquire into the Disposition of such Money as has been raised
upon account of that Duty of Twelve pence of the that it may be
discovered whether any part and how much thereof may
belong to the publick of this Province being that by the Terms of the
act afo^r it was concluded that if His Lordship would not accept
of the 12^d of the aforesaid as a Consideration for taking his Civil Parts