

likewise of opinion that the law as it now stands if duly put in execution needs no amendment Carried in the affirmative by the Majority of votes.

As to the other part of his Excellency's Speech relating to taxables, Resolved a Supplement be added to the act for appointment of Constables whereby the Constable shall be under a penalty of 500<sup>l</sup> Tob<sup>o</sup> for neglecting to do his duty, and every person refusing to tell the number of his taxables or keeping any back shall be under a penalty of 500<sup>l</sup> Tob<sup>o</sup> for each taxable and that all taxable persons coming in or that are in the County by the first of June and not after for that year shall be deemed to be taxables.

That all warrants issued by Justices of Peace for the recovery of small Debts be directed to the Constables of the Hundreds except in case of inability or absence of the Constable of the Hundred unless any friend will observe the warrant for the party gratis.

That the Sheriff be obliged to return to the publick a true copy of the list of Taxables under his own hand under the penalty of one thousand pounds of Tobacco.

And Ordered the Committee of Laws prepare the bill.

Ordered that James Stoddard Esq. John Beale Esq. Mr. James Lloyd, Mr. Lee, and Capt. Frisby join the Members of the Upper House appointed to draw up the addresses mentioned in his Excellency's Speech and the answer, and ordered the following message be prepared viz.

By the Lower house of Assembly May 4<sup>th</sup> 1719

This House has appointed James Stoddard Esq. and John Beale Esq. Mr. Phillip Lee, and Mr. James Lloyd and Capt. Frisby to join the members appointed by your house for the drawing up the addresses who are ready to attend.

Signed by Order Me: Jennifer Clk. Low: house And sent to the upper house by the Gentlemen appointed.

They return and say they delivered it. The House adjourns till one a clock.

Post Meridien, The house meet according to adjournment Esq. Hall from the upper house acquaints Mr. Speaker that the following engrossed bills are read and assented to by that house viz.

1<sup>st</sup> An Engrossed Bill to confirm part of a Gift in Annapolis to Robert Johnson.

2<sup>d</sup> An Engrossed bill to confirm lands to Mr. Gray.

3<sup>d</sup> An Engrossed bill to confirm a tract of lands lying in Baltimore County in Saint Johns Parish to the Rector of the said Parish and