

in a bill as prayed on Qualifying themselves according to Law.

The Petition of William and George Boyman praying that they may have leave to bring in a bill to confirm the will of William Boyman their Grandfather - was read and the allegation of the parties concerned being heard - Leave is given to bring in a bill as prayed.

The Petition of Thomas and Risdon Boyman praying leave to bring in a bill to confirm the Fathers Will, was read, but on hearing the allegations of John Macclaster against bringing in a bill to confirm the same the petition is rejected. *Nemine Contradicente.*

Col: Hollands and five more from the Upper house Deliver Mr. Speakes the following Answer of his Excellency to the address of this House - which was read and ordered to be entered as follows viz: - April 11th 1720.

Gentlemen of the Lower House!
Your address of this day is very acceptable to me, for which I return you my hearty thanks.

I look upon it as a great felicity that after so many years residence amongst you as Governour, I find my Administration to you Satisfaction, and my person in Esteem of the best and with pleasure I can say, much the greatest Number of his Majestys Loyall Protestant Subjects here.

I must at the same time acquaint you that I intend soon to make the proper use of his Sacred Majestys Licence of leave to return for Great Brittain for the Establishment of my health and when I shall be then permitted to give an account of my own Conduets, and of the Misconduct of others in Relation to this Government, I then propose to be a suppliant for my Quietness from my Station, I do not think consistent with the Character I have hitherto (by the permission of Providence and favour of the Crown) and which I think is incumbent on me to maintain yet whatever Condition of Life it shall please Gods to allot me, My Zealous and affectionate application to promote the welfare and prosperity of Maryland, shall never be wanting to the utmost of my Capacity.

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A Bill for the vesting an Estate in Fee Simple in the Study House and Lot of Lands in St. Marys County to the use of William and Mary Parish for ever read the first time and Ordered a second reading to morrow.

Bill for the relief of Samuel Gover was read the first Time and Ordered a second reading to morrow.