

amendment in making the Widow Wrightson Restitution for the Rents she has paid, and of adding Col<sup>o</sup> Trenchman in the State of Mr. Dashiell were agree with your honours, with which if your house concurs, the bill may be amended and will pass

Signed & ordered Mr. Fenwick Clk. Lo. Ho.

And sent to the Upper house by Mr. Hill and Col<sup>o</sup> Woolfson

They return and say they delivered

The Petition of John Seager against the lands Commissioners of St. Mairs County read and referred to next session, and ordered the parties concerned have notice to appear there

The petition of John Hall Esq. read and referred till next session. Phil: Lloyd Esq. from the Upper house Delivered Mr. Speaker a Bill empowering Commissioners to sell the Lands and personal Estates of the two Smithsons with the following Message viz<sup>t</sup>

By the Upper house of assembly April the 18<sup>th</sup> 1720  
Gentlemen!!

The amendment proposed to the bill for the Sale of Col<sup>o</sup> Smithsons of Talbot County and Tho<sup>s</sup> Smithson of Dorchester County Gent. Lands &c. we think acquiesces the amendment proposed for the preferring the Devises for publick and Crows uses to those that are only to private persons, since we apprehend the Devisor lay not under any particular obligation to the private Devises more than to the publick, and in all acts of Men Generosity and good will, we think those for a publick Benefit ought to be preferred to any private one by how much a Generall Good is preferable to any particular one, with which amendment the Bill will pass

Signed & ordered John Beale Clk. up. Ho.

Which was read and ordered the bill be amended accordingly,

Tuesday Morning April 19<sup>th</sup> 1720

The house meets according to adjournment, Yesterdays proceedings read,

Esq. Hall with two others from the Upper house delivered Mr. Speaker

The following Message viz<sup>t</sup>

By the Upper house of assembly April 19<sup>th</sup> 1720  
Gentlemen!!

On perusing the Supplementary act to the act entitled an act for setting a Revenue on the Majestys present Government and your Message relating thereto, His Excellency Expresses great Satisfaction at your approbation of his Conduct in the Administration of this government and takes the proposed act as an evidence of your Esteem - but seems to be of opinion that since his intended speedy departure will clogg the collection of that duty with some difficulties your good intentions will be rendered