

Signed by Order Mr. Speaker of the Lower House
and sent to the upper House by Mr. Lee and Mr. Benson, they will
say they delivered it -

The Petition of Isaac & John and
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 Sprick have
notice thereof -

The House adjourns till one o'clock in the afternoon.
Post-Meridian. The House meets according to adjournment: Mr.
James Caubibber, late Sheriff of Cecil County according to the
Warrant against him appears in the custody of the Sergeant of this
House and alledging nothing material in his Excuse 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 to the
Sergeant twenty Shillings besides his Expences and ten Shillings
to the Clerk and five Shillings to the Door Keeper - And Ordered he
be in custody till they are paid -

Coll^o. Addison and Coll^o. Tilghman from the upper
House delivered to Mr. Speaker the following Message vizt

By the Upper House of Assembly July the 26th 1721
Gentlemen. We are not willing to believe but that you have
read and in some measure considered our message of the 22nd Inst^t
by Coll^o. Ward tho' by your Opinion of the 24th in relation thereto
it might seem otherwise - We do not propose to you the enlarge-
ment of the punishment but that the punishment already ap-
pointed (the quantity whereof you do not object ag^t.) might be
duly inflicted on the offenders. In vain is it to proportion punish-
ments to offenders if the method of bringing off offenders to punish-
ment 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
itself yet in the consequence of it the Honor and safety of our
Country is much concerned upon the due Execution of this Law
depends the whole regulation of the Militia for that is the only
type upon them to Obey and Obedience is Essential to discipline,
and discipline to defence and Even in the time of the most happy
Tranquility a well regulated Militia is not only an Honor
but a preservation of peace for keeping in an a Lapsor dis-
ciplined Neighbours whereas the neglect of this is even an
Invitation to others to take advantage of our not being in
a posture of defence - We take this opportunity to acquaint