

In Pursuance of the Order of the Day, the Petition of *John Tillotson*, and *Thomas Harris*, of *Queen Anne's County*, was read.

Ordered, That in Regard the Petitioner *John Tillotson* appeared, and disavowed his Privity of the said Petition being preferred to this House, and the other Petitioner *Thomas Harris* having not appeared to prove the Facts therein contained, the said Petition is rejected.

*The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.*

*Post-Meridiem.* The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

A Petition of *James Richard*, of *Baltimore County*, Gentleman, preferred to this House, relating to a Complaint laid before the Committee of Grievances, by the aforesaid Petitioner, against a certain *William Young*, Receiver of his Lordship's Quit-Rents for *Baltimore County*; which, by the said Committee, was, in the Year 1753, reported to the House; was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. *Hammond*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entituled, *An Act for taking and detaining able-bodied Men for his Majesty's Service*; which was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

*The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.*

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Saturday, December 21, 1754.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c. all appeared as Yesterday, except Mr. *Hicks*, and Col. *Fitzbugh*.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker the following Message :

*Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,*

I TAKE this Opportunity of acquainting you, that the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds, which was granted by the Representatives of this Province in *May* last, for a Present to the Six *Indian Nations*, was accordingly presented by the Gentlemen who were commissioned for that Purpose, to as many of those People as were present at the Interview held with them at *Albany*, by Commissioners from the several *British Colonies* on the Continent; and I had the Satisfaction to learn, that the *Indians*, who accepted the Present, expressed their Gratitude in a particular Manner, for the Generosity and Benevolence of their Friends and Brethren in *Maryland*. How requisite, or rather absolutely necessary, that Interview with those Nations was, at that Time, will appear from a Perusal of the Minutes of the Commissioners Proceedings, a Copy of which I have ordered to be laid before you; and I doubt not but you will be well pleased with the Part which the Gentlemen, who represented this Province, acted therein.

HORATIO SHARPE.

Mr. *Hammond*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entituled, *An Act for raising a Supply towards his Majesty's Service*; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.*

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