

he has not as yet been able to procure by reason the Constables & others appointed to take such Lists are so ignorant and illiterate; but has now sent a specimen to each Sherriffe directing how the said Lists should be taken. Original Journal.

Whereupon Ordered that the sev^rall Sherriffs do take Effectuall Care to returne to his Ex^{cy} such List it being impossible to be effected by the Constables of this Province who are generally poor people that can neither write nor read.

Then was read his Ma^{ty}s Royal Comānds of the tenth of Novemb last relating to Pyrates as also the Lords Com^{rs} of Trade and Plantations Letter to his Ex^{ncy} of the thirtieth of November on Covert to the said Order. p. 18

Came D^r Lookerman and M^r Hicks who bring the following Message from the House.

By the House of Delegates
April the 29th 1700.

This house having read and pused as well the last Message by the hon^{ble} Col^{onel} Henry Jowles and Col Charles Hutchins as alsoe the Ord^r of his late Ma^{ty} relating to running out a Divisionall Lyne between the Right hon^{ble} the Lord Baltemore and the Hon^{ble} Will^m Penn Esq^r And the house having taken it into Considracōn humbly conceive that the Publick of this Province ought not to be at any part of the Charge in running this Line.

Wee returne Your Ex^{ncy} our Thanks for comūnicating that Paragraph of the Earle of Bellomont's L^{re} relating to the Indians, which was also read in this house, And Wee have noe apprehension of any Danger from the Enemy yet upon all Occasions Wee shall be ready to with what shall be necessary

Signed p order W Taylard Cl Del

The said D^r Lookerman and M^r Hicks p^rsent M^r Philemon Lloyd as a Delegate of Talbott County, Who took the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliam^t instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy and Subscribed the Test & Association.

Came M^r George Plater Nav^l Officer at Puttuxent and made Oath of his Acc^{ts} of Country Duties by him recd.

The Board ad^d untill 8 to mor morning.

Tuesday April 30th 1700

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The Council Sate P^rsent as Yesterday

Then read the Petition of M^r Robert Carse which was referred to further Consideration