

being read was assented to by this Board & Sent to the U. H. J. House by Col Tilghman

M^r Tyler & seven more brought from their House Viz.

By the House of Delegates
November the 14th 1713

This House have considered your message by Col Holland and three others of the members of your honble Board and are much surprized to find you put such Interrogatorys to us as we think we are not obliged to answer We have no thought of infringing her Majesty's Prerogative and believe We have not given any one a just occasion to think so and we are sorry such pretences should be made use of to gratify any one or delay the finishing this Session We cannot see any ill consequence will come of our applying our Selves to the Queen notwithstanding any Clamour & noise the Secretary may make We doubt not but our just Reasons will be heard, as for that of granting Wine Licences 'tis not as we take it our Case; but the Granting Licences to Sell Ale Cyder, Perry &c and Victualling We take to be a part of the power given to the Justices of the Peace by her Majesty's Commission and diverse Acts of Parliament p. 876

This Affair has already cost the Country a great deal of Mony and us a great deal of Time but we cannot think any man will blame us for it but those who are the unjust Cause of it

We take this proceeding to be nothing else but a design of wearing us out of a Resolution we have so often assured you we could not recede from, & to Encrease an heavy Charge on the Country, which may seem to reflect on us Tho' we hope we shall easily Satisfy those we represent what the true Causes of it have been

We pray your Honours to desist from any more Messages on this Subject we being already resolved to stand & fall by what our gracious Queen shall determine when our Case is made known to her

Signed p order Evan Jones D Cl Ho Del.

The Honble President having received a Letter from the Lord Proprietary's Agent M^r Char^s Carrol with another Letter from Cap^t Richard Smith of S^t Leonard's Creek to the said M^r Carrol relating to a tract of Land called Kingsale desired to be confirmed by this Assembly to Cap^t Tho^s Emms &c laid the same before the Board. p. 877

Advised the said Letters be referred to the Consideration