

U. H. J. time when the State of the present Crop is so Unequal to the Charge of a long Session This we hope may be Avoided now since your Honour pleased to signify that you have nothing from his Lordship the Lord Proprietary to lay before us.

We cannot at this time take Leave of your Honour without Returning our most humble and hearty thanks for this one more fresh Instance of your Regard to our Welfare in recommending to us Measures to prevent the exportation of our Grain at this time when we have so melancholy a Prospect of wanting: the Consideration whereof we shall diligently Apply ourselves to

Signed p Order Sam^l Skippon Cl Up. Ho.

To which his Honour made the following Reply Viz.

Gentlemen

I return you my hearty thanks for your kind Address & nothing can be more pleasing to me than your Zeal for the publick Welfare

The petition of Thomas Dent of Charles County John Oliver of Kent County Frances Dorsey Widow, John Marsh, John Hurst, Edward Norwood and Ann Brahan of Baltimore County and Thomas Shores a languishing Prisoner in the County Goal at Annapolis praying that a Bill may be brought in to relieve them from Confinement they delivering upon Oath all their Effects for the Use of their Creditors were severally read and severally thus endorsed viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 8th 1724.

Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly

Signed p Order Samuel Skippon Cl Up Ho.

Sent by James Bowles Esq^r

p. 100 The Petition of the Inhabitants of Dorchester County praying that in consideration of the Scarcity of Tobacco in that County they may be allowed to pay their publick dues in money or other merchantable commodity was read and thus endorsed Viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly October 8. 1724

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Signed p Order Samuel Skippon Cl Up Ho.