

An Act directing the Sale of Part of the Lands of Henry Baker, late of Cecil County, deceased, for the Payment of the Debts of the said Henry Baker

To the Honourable Speaker £1.. 0..0
To the Clerk 0..10..0

An Act for the Relief of Nehemiah Tilghman and Solomon Townsend, and to confirm the Contract made between the said Nehemiah Tilghman and a certain Major Townsend

To the Honourable Speaker £1.. 0..0
To the Clerk 0..10..0

An Act empowering Edward Tilghman, Solomon Wright, and others, to sell certain Lands devised by Col.^o Vincent Lowe, formerly of Talbot County, to be sold for the Purposes by the said Devise intended.

To the Honourable Speaker £4..0..0
To the Clerk 2..0..0

An Act to remedy the Omission of the Enrollment of a Deed of Bargain and Sale from Thomas Collier to Thomas Lightfoot, William Lightfoot, Abraham Mitchell, Walter Franklin and Samuel Franklin.

To the Honourable Speaker £4..0..0
To the Clerk 2..0..0

M.^r Chase brings in, and delivers to M.^r Speaker the following Message

By the Lower House of Assembly, November 16:th 1770

May it please your Honours,

We return the Bill for the Payment of John Duckett and others, whereon to indorse your Assent or Negative, according to the established Mode of Parliamentary Proceeding; this House will ever claim, as their inherent, undoubted and fundamental Right, the sole and exclusive Formation of all Money Bills, as well for the Application and Disposition, as for the granting and raising of all publick Money; a Right so essential to the Liberties and Properties of those we represent, that we are determined never to give it up, or wa[i]ve or weaken it in any Manner; and we must observe, that your Proposal to make M.^r Duckett an Allowance in our Journal of Accounts, is an Infringement of that Right. M.^r Duckett's Claim arises from a Contract made with the Lower House, in November Session, 1766, for transcribing a Record Book in the Land Office, which contains Grants and Certificates of some of the most ancient and valuable Lands in this Province; and which, from the peculiar and uncommon Damage it then appeared to have sustained, it was deemed necessary to have immediately copied; and M.^r Duckett, in Expectation of an immediate Payment, undertook the Work for 4.^d per Side, to be paid in Dollars at 7/6; which, had it been done in the Land Office, at 9th