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And Resolved by the house that the Committee of Laws prepare A Bill for that purpose.

And as to the proposall relateing to Coll<sup>o</sup> Talbotts Lands to be sold for refunding the Great charge of this province heretofore expended on his behalfe for Imprisonm<sup>t</sup> fees &c: which was read.

Resolved and Ordered that the Com<sup>ee</sup> of Laws as well enquire into the publick and Discover the charge as alsoe inspect into the Records for the said Talbotts Land w<sup>th</sup>in this province and what titles he has to the same—of all which they are to make reporte to this house by all convenient Speed.

A Message from his Ex<sup>cy</sup> and Councill of the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1701 referred to th<sup>s</sup> Sessions, It being for appointing an Agent et: was now read and debated, And for as much as the house conceive they have noe occasion of such agent, Therefore, Resolved there be further Conference thereupon for th<sup>t</sup> this house conceive they have no occasion of any at p<sup>r</sup>sent.

The Peticōn of Jn<sup>o</sup> Needles of Talbott County and his wife and others the children of M<sup>r</sup> Edward Mann relateing to a paper testament or Will of the s<sup>d</sup> Mann, was here read, and

Resolved that the Consideracōn thereof be referred to a Committee for th<sup>t</sup> purpose. And Ordered that Maj<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Dent, M<sup>r</sup> John Salter and Maj<sup>r</sup> Edward Dorsey be a Committee appointed to Consult the same and make their Speedy report thereof to this house.

The house adjournes till 2 a Clock in the Afternoone.

Post Merediem. The house mett againe according to adjournment and were present as in the morning.

And M<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Young and M<sup>r</sup> John Dorsey two members absent in the morning enters the house and tooke their places.

The Peticōn of Thomas Love of S<sup>t</sup> Maries County read and rejected.

Then were appointed of the Committee of Laws Kenelm Cheseldyn Esq<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Hutchison M<sup>r</sup> Richard Tilghman M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Dent M<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Salter, M<sup>r</sup> Edward Dorsey and M<sup>r</sup> Henry Lowe who are ordered to withdrawe to consult of Severall Matters before delivered them.

Proposed by a member of this house whether it be not reasonable that a Law be provided for paym<sup>t</sup> of Rents of Orphans Lands in the time of their minority.

Resolved the same be referred to a further consideration.

The Committee of Laws enter the house and reports as follows.