

and concerning the Gauge of Tob<sup>o</sup> Hhds Col Holland & M<sup>r</sup> U. H. J. Lynes return & say they delivered the Papers to M<sup>r</sup> Speaker

His Excell having received an Account of the great & glorious victory obtained by her Majesty's Forces & those of her allies in Flanders under the Conduct of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough over the French and having seen the London Gazette from July the 8th to July the 12th 1708 proposed to the Council whether it might not be proper to make some publick Rejoycings to cheer the Hearts of her Majesty's Subjects here p. 560

On which occasion the Board do advise his Excell that publick rejoycing be made in this Town the Gunns on the publick Fort be fired on this occasion to morrow being Wednesday the same day of the week on which the Battel was won

M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Stallings Petition referred to the House of Delegates

The Board adjourned till Eight of the Clock to morrow morning

Wednesday December the 1<sup>st</sup> 1708

The Council Sate present as yesterday

Then was read the Petition of the Inhabitants of S<sup>t</sup> Mary's County for removing the Courts from S<sup>t</sup> Marys to Sheppards old Fields

M<sup>r</sup> Worthington and three other members of the House of Delegates brought up the following Message Viz.

By the House of Delegates December the first 1708

This House humbly desire his Excell if he hath any further or other Instructions from her Majesty for granting of Charters & Erecting Citys in this Province than what is Expressed in his Commission recorded in the Secretarys Office to communicate the same to this House

Signed p order R Dallam Cl Ho Del.

Major Gen<sup>l</sup> Lloyd & Col Holland were sent with the following answer viz. p. 561

By his Excell. the Governour & Council in Assembly  
December the 1<sup>st</sup> 1708

Gentlemen. Your Message by M<sup>r</sup> Worthington and three other of your Members being read at this Board His Excell