

Read the Petition of Richard Roberts of Calvert County praying that a Bill may be brought in to vest such an Estate in fee simple in the Petitioner in a Tract of Land called Thompsons Town, as a Certain Joseph George Thompson late of S^t Marys County died seized of; the said Thompson having sold the said Tract to the Petitioner, but not conveyed the same before his Death; Ordered to lye on the Table

U. H. J.
Lib. No. 33

Read the Petition of John Tilden and Catherine his Wife of Kent County, Aquila Paca of Baltimore County and Rachel his wife and Isabella Blay of Kent County praying Leave to bring in a Bill to make valid a Deed from Thomas Howell to Edward Beck of Certain Tracts of Land in Kent County called Dale Town and Howells Outland, as if the said Deeds had been recorded in due Time; Ordered to lye on the Table.

Adjourned till two of the Clock in the Afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the Morning

Col Matthew Tilghman Ward and John Rousby Esq^r sent to the Lower House to acquaint the Speaker, that His Excellency requires His and the House's Attendance in the Upper House

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The Speaker and the House attend to whom His Excellency made the following Speech.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly

It is with very great Concern that I find myself under a Necessity of taking Notice of your expelling several of the Members of your House, for only accepting of Offices under the Government since their Election, although there is no Law of this Province to render them unqualified, or incapable to sit for that Reason: Had the Gentlemen you have been pleased to expel, been guilty of, or charged with any Misdemeanor in their Duty as Members of Your House; You would have been the proper Judges how to proceed; and I would not pretend to interpose; but when you have proceeded to so great a Length, as Either to make a Vote, or Resolution of your own house equally valid and binding to an Act of Assembly, or else to form a violent & unreasonable Construction upon Laws, so as to make them agreeable to your Purpose; I could not without being wanting in my Duty to His Majesty, His Lordship the Lord Proprietary, as well as the Discharge of the Obligation I am under to preserve the Rights and Liberties of His Majesty's Subjects under my Government, delay exercising that Authority with which I am intrusted in preserving Our Constitution, and hindering One Branch

Ogle called the Council together as such and secured from them an approval of this speech and of the dissolution of the Assembly Maryland Archives 28 (8 Council) 64