that in Case the Pet<sup>rs</sup> be not reddressed by his Excell<sup>cy</sup> & Original Councill in Virginia That Orders be given to Major William Journal. Dent and M<sup>r</sup> Bozmane Nav<sup>ll</sup> Officers of Potowmock & Pocomoke to require the Maryland Dutys on Virg<sup>a</sup> Tob<sup>o</sup> Exported in Ships Cleared in Maryland

Major Barbons two Petitions about a Runaway Servant Boy and an Indian Comitted to his Custody as Sherriffe of Prince George's County being thought reasonable are recomended to the house of Delegates' Consideration. These three following Messages were sent to the house by Mr Thomas Tench p. 38 & Col<sup>o</sup> John Addison viz<sup>t</sup>

By his Ex<sup>cy</sup> the Governo<sup>r</sup> and Councill in Assembly
May the 15<sup>th</sup> 1701.

Since by a Paragraph of the Lre from their L<sup>dps</sup> the Com<sup>r</sup> of Trade and Plantations of the 3<sup>d</sup> of December last laid before you, you Cannot but observe their friendly Advice to us that we should Appoint some well qualified Person to be our Agent in England there to Solicite what publick Business we desire to be Successfully dispatched we are desirous to know what resolutions your house have taken thereupon Signed p Order W Bladen Cl Concil.

## By his Ex<sup>cy</sup> the Governo<sup>r</sup> & Councill May the 15th 1701

It being Experienced that the fund raised by the present Act of Assembly now on Foot for Imposts are very inconsiderable towards the Defraying the Necessary Charges of the Province, It is recomended to your house that a further Impost of three pence p hogshed be laid on Tobbo Exported as being the least burthensome to the Poor and Necessitous People of the Province and Scarcely perceptible to those that are Capable of Shipping Tobbacco whereby the Publick Charge of the Province will be the Easier Defrayed Signed p Order W Bladen Cl Concil.

By his Excellency the Governor & Councill in Assembly P. May the 15th 1701.

Forasmuch as the Affair of the Piscattaway and Accocick Indians do not yet seem to have the wisht for Conclusion that is of either being Come in and Quietly settled among us, it is the Opinion of this Board That the Rangers on the Frontiers of Potowmock should be still kept out for the