

Petition of Ann Arundell County Setting forth that they had expended a great Deal of Tobacco for Building a Court house which had not been performed by the Undertakers, they desire due Course to be taken by this Assembly that the same may be affected by those that have undertaken the same according to Agreement.

Subscribed by several the Inhabitants of the said County —
Returned to the Lower house by Coll. Darnall who is to acquaint them —
that it being evident that the several Names Subscribed are all of one hand —
though this house are sensible many of them can't write their own Names it —
seems that it is not a generall Grievance and therefore Lyes not before this House for Consideration —

Coll. Darnall returns and brings with him a Letter from Capt. Hull one of the Delegates of Ann Arundell County where inclosed came the Petition who Recommended the same to the Consideration of this Assembly in Behalf of the Inhabitants. The Petition was thus Indorsed viz^t.

Upper House September the 17th 1681.

This house not well Apprehending the meaning and Design of this Petition desire the Lower house to inform themselves thereof from their Members Deputies for the County of Ann Arundell and to take such Care and Order therein as may be convenient to be recommended to the Consideration of this house —

Signed & Order of John Lewellin Esq of Assembly.

Sent to the Lower house again by Coll. Darnall, he returns a Message by Mr. Cheseldyne and Capt. Sibrey being the Bill for Payment and assessing the Publick Charge of this Province and passed by the Lower house Mus. viz^t.

September the 17th 1681 The Lower house have assented —

J. Boteler Esq Assistant of the Lower house of Assembly
Read in this house and passed viz^t.

September the 17th 1681 Upper house have assented
J Lewellin Esq of Assembly —

Sent to the Lower house by Coll. Darnall he returns again
Coll. Lowe goes to the Lower house to know whether they are ready to come and receive his Lordships Pleasure touching the breaking up of this Session,

He returns and says they will be ready presently —

The Speaker and Members of the Lower House Enter this house
They present to his Lordship the following Paper —

Lower house of Assembly Sep^r the 17th 1681.

This house finding that Seventy two pounds of Tobacco by Poll —
Levyed upon all the Taxables of this Province, will amount to more than the Totall Sum in the Act by the Quantity of Two thousand forty two pounds of Tobacco, and finding likewise that there is forgotten the Sum of Two thousand pounds of Tobacco Ordered to be given to Francis Burton.