

them you shall also swear that you will do equal right and Justice to the poor and to the rich within the said Province after your cunning wit and power and according to the Laws and Ordinances of the said Province you shall not for fear favour or Affection or any other Cause let or hinder justice but shall truly execute the said Offices according to your Commission and you shall not know of any attempt against his Lordships right and Dominion in to or over the said Province and the People therein but you shall resist and Oppose it with the utmost of your power and make the same known with Convenient speed to his Lordship and you shall in all things faithfully counsell and advise his Lordship according to your heart and Conscience so help you God and the Contents of this Book]

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Then were these Orders agreed upon by General Consent of the house

1 Any one of the house not appearing upon call after the third beating of the drum shall forfeit 20^l Tobacco

2 For the morning the Drum is to beat as near as may be to sunrise and an hours beating between each Beating

In the afternoon the first beating is to be at one of the Clock and then an hours distance between each Beating

3 None are to speak above once in one day to any several matter or clause of any bill without leave of the house, if two or more rise together the Lieu^t General is to determine who shall speak first p. 255

4 None are to use any undecent taunting or reviling words, to the naming or personating of any member, in the house or any other misbehave himself in his speech upon pain of censure by the house

5 Every bill is to be read twice afore it be engrossed, & after Engrossment to be put to the vote at a third reading

Then was the Governor Captain Cornwaleys M^r Brent M^r Secretary, M^r Surveyor, M^r Weston & M^r Greene appointed for a Committee to meet in the afternoon at the second Beating of the drum, at two of the Clock for the drawing up of a Bill touching a war to be made upon the Indians and other matters pertaining to the safety of the Colony

It was then ordered, that a new summons by special messengers, should be sent to the freemen of S^t Marys and Saint Georges hundreds to appear by themselves, or Proxies, on Wednesday next, upon pain of 50^l tob^o to be forfeited by every one making default; therein and to the freemen of Saint Michaels and Saint Clements hundred to appear on Friday next on like pain

Then M^r Brent moved as from the Inhabitants of Kent, that it might be declared by the house, whether the Inhabitants