

An Act for Laying Imposition upon Negro Slaves and U. H. J. White Servants

An Act Impowering the Commissioners of the County of Kent to Purchase three Acres whereon to build a Court House

An Act of Assembly to prevent people driving away Horses into the Woods

An Act appointing the Justices of each respective County within this Province and Vestries of each respective Parish to return the County Levy and proceeding to the Governor and Council yearly

An Act for Speedy Justice in Encouragement of Trade

An Act for Reviving the Temporary Laws of this Province

An Act for Assessing the 3<sup>s</sup> p hhd upon Tobacco towards the defraying the necessary Charge of the province

An Act for the Naturalization of John Edger of Somerset County

The which said several Bills were perused read and Assented to by his Majestys honble Council

Another Bill being received and read for Laying the Publick Leavy &c will not be Assented to there being no Account before this Board to particularize any Allowance

The honble Col<sup>o</sup> Henry Jowles Added

Read a petition preferred by M<sup>r</sup> Robinson and several others merchants Traders praying an Explanation upon the Ten p Cent Act &c

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Ordered that the same be laid before the House for their Consideration

The said Bills and petitions were sent down to the House by the Honourable Col<sup>o</sup> George Robotham Col<sup>o</sup> Charles Hutchins and Col<sup>o</sup> Addison

Brought from the House of Burgesses by Captain Hill Captain Tasker M<sup>r</sup> Boothby and M<sup>r</sup> Lowe a certain Representation made from the Committee of Aggrievances touching Securities taken for Masters of Ships &c

They signify also that the House have made strict Scrutiny into the Accounts passed this Assembly and that they find the same to be just and Good and that the same will be annexed to the Law

The said Representation follows in these words viz<sup>t</sup>

By the Committee of Agrievances May the 13<sup>th</sup> 1696.

It is Complained of unto this Committee that manifest Great decay of Trade in several parts of this province adjoyn-