

M^r W^m Bladen clk: of his Maty^s hon^{ble} Council Enter the house and presents severall papers to M^r Speaker. L. H. J.
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Ordered that the same be referred till to morrow Morning.
The house adjournes till to Morrow Morning Eight of Clock.

Dies Mercurij Novemb^o the 2^d 1698.

The house mett and were called over, and were absent M^r Philip Clarke, M^r Geo: Ashman and M^r W^m Hemsley.

Read over what was done yesterday.

M^r Hicks, M^r Bozman, M^r Collins, Major Smallwood, M^r Hawkins and Major Lowe say they delivered the message by them sent.

The mocōn yesterday made concerning the Roofe of the church and referred till this morning was debated and ordered that the Committee that was Especially appointed to Inspect the Publick charge of building &c. consider thereof

Put to the vote for as much as there is no post within this province, whether a bill shall be prepared to allow the Sherriffes of the Severall countyes a certaine Sallary for the dispatching all Letters and packetts as shall be for his Maty^s Service.

Carried Nemine Contradicente in the affirmative.

Ordered that the Committee of Laws prepare such bill and to Consider therein the trouble which some Sherriffes may have more than others, in the dispatching Letters and packetts.

M^r Edward Lloyd brings in the bill which he was ordered yesterday to prepare.

A Bill for the punishment of privateers and pyrates, read the first time.

A Bill for Impowering the churchwardens, Vestrymen, and Severall more of the parishioners to assess the parishioners for repairing churches, read the first time.

The Message yesterday brought by the Hon^{ble} Coll^o Henry Iowles, and Thomas Brookes Esq^r and referred till this morning was read, Viz^t

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and Council in Assembly
Nov. the 1st 1698.

Recomended to the house that they will appoint some of their members to Joyne with Col^o Iowles and Esq. Brookes to Examine and Margent the Laws transcribed according to the directions of the Right hon^{ble} the Lord of the Council for Trade and fforeigne plantations and that care be taken to have the samed Coppied according to the Agreem^t wth his hon^r Coll: Iowles and Maj^r Hamond.