

Ordered, that Doct^r Iacob Lockerman, M^r Hicks carry the L. H. J. afores^d act to his Excellency the Gov^r and Councill. They returne and say they have delivered their message.

By the House of Delegates Nov^r 12th 1698

In answer to the Message by the hon^{ble} Thomas Tench Esq. and Coll^o Iohn Addison, wherein it is recomended to this house to make Enq^{ry} concerning a Rumour that is spread abroad, concerning a Letter said house sent to his Lordship the Lord Bishop of London.

Ffor as much as it is so long since the same was Writt that it is impossible to be certainly Remembered whereby to accuse any pson therewith the house does humbly desire to be excused from further prosecuting the same.

Signed p order.

C Gregory Clk: house of Delegates.

As to the Bill proposed for Regulateing Marriages and granting Marriage Lycenses it has been voted out by this house.

And to the Bill proposed for Promotion of Learning and advancement of his Maty^s ffree School of Maryland it is Resolved that it be referred to the Consideration of the next sessions of Assembly.

Signed p Order. C Gregory clk house of Delegates.

Ordered that Major Iohn Lane, Maj^r Walter Smith M-Thomas hicks M^r Henry hawkins carry the aforesaid Messages to his Ex^{cy} and Councill.

A Bill for assessing the publick levy Read the third time and passed for Engrossing.

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May it please your Excellency.

Whereas your Ex^{cy} and Councill have been pleased by severall Messages to make Reflections upon this house to Recite the p^ticulars whereof would be rather cause of aggravation then palliate Mis^standing's and since your Excell^{ty} who have been signally blessed with the favours of our most Dread p. 276 Sovereigne in that he hath been graciously pleased to comitt the Governm^t of Virginia to your care and Conduct, we cannot but humbly Represent and declare to your Excell^{cy} that this province hath been Extreemly obliged to your Ex^{cy} under