

parliam<sup>t</sup> to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy & Subscribed the Test and Association. Original Journal.

Read the returne of Iames Round Esq<sup>r</sup> of Som<sup>r</sup>sett County in Obedience to the Order of Councill of the        day of May last, relateing to the Indian Land in Somerset County upon which Iohn parker had made a forceable Entry which said returne is well Approved of, And Advised that in Case the s<sup>d</sup> Iohn Parker do refuse to quitt the possession thereof when his Corne is Gathered that the said M<sup>r</sup> Rounds be Ordered and Impowered to dispossess him.

Read the petition of M<sup>r</sup> Rob<sup>t</sup> Yates of Charles County p. 15 praying that the Last Will and Testam<sup>t</sup> of Iames Pyer of Charles County may be recorded in the Comissarys office for security of the Younger Childrens portions which well approved off and recomēded to the Consideration of the house of Delegates.

The Board adjourne till 8 att the Clock  
to Morrow morning

Iuly the 1<sup>st</sup> 1699.

Councill Sate P<sup>r</sup>sent as yesterday

Came Cap<sup>t</sup> Hoskins to acquaint his Ex<sup>cy</sup> and the Board that the Sumersett County Burgesses were Arrived and that the house desired his Ex<sup>cy</sup> would be pleased to send some of the Councill to Swear them

Whereupon Col Charles Hutchins and M<sup>r</sup> Francis Ienkins were sent to the house and Ordered the Oaths to M<sup>r</sup> Bozmane, M<sup>r</sup> Collins and M<sup>r</sup> Lane who Subscribed the Test and Association.

Then was sent the following Message by M<sup>r</sup> Iacob Moreland and M<sup>r</sup> Walter Lane from the house Viz<sup>t</sup>

By the house of Delegates Iuly the 1<sup>st</sup> 1699.

Takeing again into our Consideration the Copy of Some of his Matys Instructions layd before us we find some paragraphs haveing relation to the Assembly and the Inhabitants of this province particularly the ninth wherein his Ex<sup>cy</sup> is Instructed to Cause a survey to be made of the most Considerable Landing places Harbours &c to Erect fortifications &c. not doubting of the Cheerful Compliance of the Inhabitants.

To which we humbly Answer that this province from one p. 16 side to the other being so luxuriant in Navigable Rivers and Creeks and those Rivers and Creeks haveing so many branches Navigable and so many Capacious Harbours and fair Landings