

L. H. J. Eod die. The house mett againe and were called over and were absent as before.

Coll^o Thompson and M^r Ferry say they have delivered their Message.

Read the peticōn of the Inhabitants on Indian River.

p. 246 This house does humbly desire your Ex^{cy} to comission some person there to be a Justice of peace in order for the p^rservation amongst them of the peace.

Read Ioseph Thompson's peticōn praying an order of this house for his quiet possession of a peice of Land.

The Pet^r referred to his defence at the comōn Law

The house adjourns till to Morrow Morning at Eight of Clock.

Dies Iovis Novemb^r the 3^d 1698.

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

M^r John Ferry having urgent occasion was admitted to go home.

Read over what was done yesterday.

M^r Beards remonstrance relateing to publick Credit yesterday referred was read over.

Put to the vote of the Act of Assembly made in May 1697. Entitled An Act ascertaineing what shall be the Sherriffes duty in and upon returns by them made for publick dues and officers fees.

Carryed Nemine Contradicente in the affirmative.

The proposall of his Ex^{cy} and Councill on behalfe of M^r Io^s Mann yesterday referred to the consideration of a full house, was read.

Madam Bournes peticōn read, being yesterday referred.

The house resolved themselves into a Grand Comittee, and Cap^t Richard Hill is ordered to make reporte of their proceedings at the next sitting.

The Comittee breaks up, and M^r Speaker having taken the chair, Cap^t Hill makes report as followeth viz^t

That he is ordered from the Comittee to acquaint them, that for as much as the Severall Comittees are to go out by which means the members of the remaining part of the members, will be but small that as many members as will constitute a house shall take into consideration the Peticōn of Mad^m Bourne and the proposall relateing to M^r Mann and do what they shall thinke necessary in these affaires.

The Bill Impowering the Vestrymen, Churchwardens &c to assess the parishioners, read the second time was comitted for amendm^t