

Original  
Journal.Thursday October 28<sup>th</sup> 1703

The Council in Assembly again Sat Present as yesterday  
Came M<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Harris & five other members from the  
House and bring up three Bills

For regulating ordinarys &c For reviving some Tempo-  
rary Laws, & for appointing a Committee to lay the publick  
Levy this present year

The Bill for regulating ordinarys &c being read and re-  
quiring further Time to debate than this present Session will  
admitt of is referred by this Board to the Consideration of the  
next Assembly

The Bill for reviving some temporary Laws read the first  
time & will pass

The Bill empowering the Committee to lay the publick Levy  
read the first & second Time & will pass with this Alteration  
in the 3<sup>d</sup> line viz<sup>t</sup> only to assess & apportion the publick charge  
for this year

The Council in Assembly adjourned 'till 2 of the Clock in  
the Afternoon

## Post meridiem

The Council again Sate Present as in the morning

Came M<sup>r</sup> Parker & M<sup>r</sup> Lynes from the House of Delegates  
who saw M<sup>r</sup> John Bosman make oath to his Naval officers  
Accompts

The Petition of Capt Arnold Elsey and M<sup>r</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> Chambers  
was read praying an Act of Assembly might be made for the  
Sale of some Lands late of Cap<sup>t</sup> Henry Smith of Somersett  
County dec<sup>d</sup> for the payment of his just Debts & the s<sup>d</sup> Prayer  
of the Petitioners being thought very reasonable by this Board

Ordered that it be recommended by the House of Delegates  
for a Bill to be prepared pursuant to the Petition upon a due  
hearing of all Partys interested against the next Session of  
Assembly and that in the mean time the clerk of the Council  
send a copy of the s<sup>d</sup> Petition & Summons to such as are con-  
cerned with the said Cap<sup>t</sup> Smith's Estate that they fail not to  
appear at the next Session of Assembly whensoever held in  
order to be heard for or against the passing of the said Bill

Col Will<sup>m</sup> Whittington's Petition read setting forth that  
whereas he had built & sent out a Ship called Hannah which  
happened to be taken by the French She being laden with  
Tobaccoes for which he had upon her clearance in this Pro-  
vince payed the Duty of two Shill & six pence p Hh<sup>d</sup>

He therefore prayed that Sixpence p Hh<sup>d</sup> might be returned  
him, In answer whereto the Board are willing he should have  
3<sup>d</sup> p Hh<sup>d</sup> the Duty properly to the County returned him but