

L. H. J. here from that Part of the Kingdom lately called Scotland and was generally presented for not keeping Store at Town according to Law; to which his Excuse was that there were no Store Houses at Port S<sup>t</sup> George's where he lay and the Presentment being too general was conceived improper and no particular Information of what Goods he sold being the Attorney General by any particular Person was the Occasion he did not exhibit an Information against him

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Co.

The Honble Philip Lynes Esq. from the Council enters the House & delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the Opinion of the Governor and Council touching Merchants keeping Stores at Towns mentioned in the foregoing Message

Ordered the said Message be read in a full House to Morrow Morning.

Committee of Laws enter the House and deliver M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Bills

Bill confirming and explaining the Charter granted to the City of Annapolis.

Bill reviving the Act imposing 3<sup>d</sup> p Hogshead on Tobacco for defraying the publick Charge of the Country.

Bill repealing the Act prohibiting the Importation of Bread Beer &<sup>ta</sup>

Bill reviving the Act ascertaining the Height of Fences

Bill reviving the Act for Limitation of Officers Fees

Bill reviving an Act laying an Imposition of 3<sup>d</sup> p Gallon on Rum, Wine, Brandy, Spirits and 20 p Head an Negroes and Irish Servants for defraying the publick Charge of the Province &<sup>ta</sup>

All which said Bills were severally read and ordered to be severally indorsed By the House of Delegates. Read the first Time Signed p Order Rich<sup>d</sup> Dallam Cl. Ho. Del.

Bill for Relief of Debtors and languishing Prisoners. Read and ordered to be indorsed

By the House of Delegates 13<sup>th</sup> December 1708

Read the second Time & will pass

Signed p Order Rich<sup>d</sup> Dallam Cl. Ho. Del.

The seven foregoing Bills sent up to the Council for their Concurrence by M<sup>r</sup> Hemsley and M<sup>r</sup> Robins.

They return and say the delivered the Bills.

p. 196 The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten O'Clock.