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And Whereas by the Lawes of this Province an appeal doth not
Lye from y^e County Court to y^e Provinciaall Court for 1200^l.^{or} tab. and
the Assembly thereby intending that all persons should rest satisfied with
y^e Judgment of y^e County Courts about Ju. is and to avoid
Multiplicity of Sutes and appeals - Yet many people who have been
Cast in such Sutes in y^e respective Courts of a Litigious and vexatious
Humour when they cannot by Common Law appeal as aforesaid
do yet Contentiously and vexatiously evade and supersede such Judgment
by Injunctions out of the Chancery to the very great agrievance and
vexation of many good people of this Province.

Tho: Smithson Chairman.

Resolved that a Bill be brought into Stop Injunctions in Chancery
where y^e Originall debt or demand exceeds not 1200^l.^{or} Job.

W. Philip Clarke Chairman of the Committee of Lawes presents the
Journal of the Said Committee which is approved of.

Also he presents the following Reports, with which the House concurs.
viz. By the Committee of Lawes &c.

Whereas it was referred to y^e Committee to draw up a Lawe
to oblige the Masters of Ships to Change the Country powder Especially
during the Warr tyne.

This Committee having Considered and Debated the same Can not find
any way to Compell Masters of Shippes to Change powder Especially
during Warr tyne, powder being laid in for defence and securing
themselves, and the same being likewise a^d Law.

This Committee being likewise ordered to Consider of a Law to be
drawne in pursuance of his Ex^{ty} of y^e Gov^{rs} proposall relating to his
Said Ex^{ty} appointing a Justice of the peace when any remove or dye
by Warrt. under his hand and seale without putting y^e County to the
Charge of a new Commission.

This Committee having seriously deliberated and debated this
proposall do conceive it much to the advantage of the County and
Ease of the publick Charge; but y^t it would be of dangerous consequences
to make a Law so contrary to the known Lawes of y^e Kingdom of England
Especially Considering the Law empowering the Com^{rs} of the County Courts
for tryall of criminalls which by severall adjudged Cases of all the
Judges of England.

Its Resolved that all Commissions of that nature ought to be
under y^e broad seale - And so consequently no person in a meaner
Capacity Capable of sitting Judge of the same.

The following Reports with y^e concurrence of the House thereto
sent to his Ex^{ty} of the Gov^{rs} Hon^{ble} the Councille.

House adjourned till two of y^e Clocke.