

Supplicate his Lordship by Peticōn th<sup>t</sup> he would be Pleased to Assure his Rents some other way then by Escheating Lands in soe short a time as three yeares for the Non Paym<sup>t</sup> of Rent & th<sup>t</sup> his Lordship would be Pleased to take noe advantage by anie forfeiture th<sup>t</sup> is not actually Escheated allreadie by virtue of the Law for deserted Plantacōns & th<sup>t</sup> the Upper house would be Pleased to Concurr<sup>e</sup> w<sup>th</sup> this house therein & th<sup>t</sup> his Excelency be desired untill such time as his Lordships Pleasure be knowne therein to Surcease anie further Prosecucōn upon th<sup>t</sup> lawe & further th<sup>t</sup> all Persons may have Liberty to Sue out their graunts for their Lands the Rights being good though the Certificate be of never soe long Standing & the Land not yet actuallie escheated & th<sup>t</sup> for the time to come all Instructions th<sup>t</sup> his Lordsh<sup>p</sup> shall Please to Transmit to the Govern<sup>r</sup> or other Officers about Land may be Published & Recorded in the respective County C<sup>ts</sup> within Sixe monthes after the s<sup>d</sup> Instructions shall come to the hands of the s<sup>d</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> or other Offic<sup>r</sup>.

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Signed by ord<sup>r</sup>

Rob<sup>t</sup> Ridgeley Clerke.

The House is Adjourned till Monday  
morning 9. of the Clock

Munday the 25<sup>th</sup> of May The House met

Present as on Saturday except M<sup>r</sup> Truman

Read the first time an Act Entituled an Act declaring how the C<sup>ts</sup> in this Province shall Proceed in Criminall Cases Passed & Voted th<sup>t</sup> this Act be sent to the Lower house to be Considered of by them & th<sup>t</sup> their Concurrence therein be desired

This House rec<sup>d</sup> by the hands of M<sup>r</sup> Hatton & Cap. Boareman an Answ<sup>r</sup> to their Vote touching land for the Mattapanie & Patuxon Indians as followeth viz<sup>t</sup> The Vote within Specified being this day read in this house Voted That this House doe not thinke fitte to Concurr<sup>e</sup> w<sup>th</sup> the Upper house in their Vote as to th<sup>t</sup> Land of Billingsleys for the s<sup>d</sup> Indians & for reason for this vote the House doe humbly Offer th<sup>t</sup> it is an Orphans Land & noe Person as yet th<sup>t</sup> it can be Purchased of th<sup>t</sup> it will make an ill President in the Countrey for the Indians upon everie small dislike will desire other land to be Purchased for them

Signed by ord<sup>r</sup>

Rob<sup>t</sup> Ridgeley Clerke

Read the first time an Act entituled an Act Concerning Ordinarie Keepers Passed & voted to be sent downe The Peti-