

M<sup>r</sup> Baker Brooke, a Messenger from the Vpper deliuered to the Speaker Certaine papers. Viz<sup>t</sup> This howses proposall Concerning Surueyors. L. H.  
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Vnder w<sup>ch</sup> is thus written.

Ordered by this howse That an Act bee drawne to oblige Surueyors to marke Land, rownd for the future. And likewise to oblige them to take an Oath att the entry uppon their office (as by the Lower howse was moued) for the due Exequuōn of their places.

John Gittings Clr.

Allso this howses' motion Concerning the Secretaries office. To w<sup>ch</sup> is thus.

Ordered That the Governo<sup>r</sup> & Councell take care that Will<sup>m</sup> per Charge doe compleate the office & finish ords from all rayne & snow. P. 54

John Gittings Clr.

Speaker 'till to morrow  
Clock.

[*One line missing*]

7 a Clock.

(Except M<sup>r</sup> Rich: Preston as afore)

was presented to the speaker followeth.  
of the Message from the Lower howse would  
bee pleased to signify Taking into Consideraōn the s<sup>d</sup>  
Mes- ting Sessions be- cannot pretend to  
any in Ord howse to his L<sup>p</sup> or his Leiu<sup>t</sup> here.  
being employed about his L<sup>ps</sup> other urgent  
affayres This howse doth desyre that the Lower howse will  
take into their serious Consideraōn the p<sup>r</sup>sent deplorable state  
of the Prouince reduced to allmost extreame pouerty, by the  
decay of Our only Comōdity Tobacco. And that they will well  
weigh that important busines wch was the third, & not the  
least cause of calling this Assembly, & Cannot beleiue that they  
in prudence can thinke fitt to petition the Leiu<sup>t</sup> Grāll for a  
Session, 'till they have secured that greate interest of the  
Prouince, whither in relaōn to war or peace.

John Gittings Clr.

Ordered th<sup>t</sup> Co<sup>ll</sup> Nath: Vtye M<sup>r</sup> Rob<sup>t</sup> Slye & M<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Coursey bee of a Committee, for the drawing up an Act for Regulating the Surueyors for all future Surueys. Who went uppon their Charge

Was read those two Acts heretofore made Concerning ffugitives & Runawayes.

Putt to the Vote. Jn the affirmative by All &