ingly been Sent for upon all occasions which this house Desire U. H. Journal the Lower house to take into their Consideration so as not only to Make up to him what they fell short of last Assembly but also to Gratifie him for what he hath Since done accordingly as he hath Deserved from the Country—

Signed pr Order pr | LLewellin Clk of Assembly

A Motion made in this house by a Member thereof that all English Women that work in the Ground may be taken as Taxables within this Province for the time to come Voted So to be Nemine Contradicente—

Upper house September the 9th 1681.

The Lower house are Desired to Expedite their Committee for consulting the Defence of the Province thereby to prevent the Effusion of Christian blood for which (if not Speedily taken care for) We can be Answerable Neither to God nor Man-Signed p^r Order p^r J LLewellin Cl of Assembly

Sent to the Lower house by Col Darnall; he returns again— Voted that if Col Lowe come not by Such time as the Committee are ready then Col Tailler take his Place with the Chancellor to Join with them—

Heads to Treat on in the Committee Viz^t The State of the Case—

Here is at This Instant a Body of 500 Indians Spoiling & Plundering not only the Indians but the English Plantations

It cannot be believed that English will permit the Plunder though the Government would wink at it, But the Government must See it and provide for it, and the Security of the Lives of his Majesties Subjects before any Murder be Committed, Since if we Sitt still till the Indians have Committed Murder, We can neither Answer it to God nor his Sacred Majesty-

1st The first then to be Considered is what force is Necessary-

2^d How Shall they be paid

3d: Shall we protect the Pisscattaway Indians So to be furnished with Scouts, and Men that know how to fight the

Enemy at his own Weapons by Surprize—

All Articles made with this Enemy have been broaken by them because they have ever found Us a People bent to follow Planting and Patient Sufferers of their Affronts and Plunder, therefore it is high time to Shew them such a force as may let them see We are able to make them keep Articles hereafter, which may be made in due time & Place if We be not too Narrow handed in Making Provision for Warr—

Col Lowe Enters the house—