

These following Bills Viz^t for Religion, Concerning Indians, U. H. J.
Against foreign Engrossers Concerning Horses; Election of
Burgesses, Concerning Negroes and Slaves, and for payment
of Criminals fees sent to the house by Captain Courts.

Adjourn for an hour

Mett again, and present as before

Came M^r Wynn and M^r Clark from the house with some
Bills which they are to Speak to. The Act for Limitation of
Officers fees, as to the first Objection the Ascertainning the
Chancellors fee for Transcribing the Laws &^c they say that
the Settlement as it was formerly was very unequall and
unjust for some times the fee there appointed might be too
much and other times nothing near the Value according as
the Laws to be transcribed might Extend to number or Length
of writing besides in the latter end of this Act there is a
Clause Empowering the Governor and Council (in such case
where any Service should happen to be done by the Officers
and no fees for the same Ascertained) to Settle and Ascertain
such fee as he shall think fitt, and as to the Inequality Alledged
between the Secretary and Clerks fees to the Cryers they say
that both the Secretary and the Clerks in other things have
other very Considerable fees Allowed them where the Cryer
has nothing and therefore in those few particulars they thought
fitt to Advance his fee.

The Act concerning Religion they think most proper to
consider of and make Provision for Glebes when the parishes
are Settled and Laid out.

The Act for Election of Members or Burgesses &^c they will
further Consider of and so take that back with them.

To his Excellency the Captain General & the honourable
Council in Assembly

The Humble Petition of Thomas Tench.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner has brought his Writt of Error against
a Judgment Obtained against him by William Hopkins in the
Provincial Court, which Errors are now Depending to be
Argued before your honours this Assembly, He humbly prays
a certain Day may be prefixed when your Petitioner and the
said Hopkins may attend your Excellency and this Honour-
able Board with their Attorneys to Argue the Same.

And he shall pray &^c

Monday next the 30th of May is appointed for hearing the
Errors and Ordered that Notice be given to the Parties with
their Council to Attend.