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By his Ex^{ncie} the Govern^r & Council in Assembly
May 24th 1692.

This Board think fitt to putt [the house in mind of preparing a] bill for the releife of Negroes & Slaues [from the barbarous and inhuman] vseage of their unreasonable Masters [&c too frequently practised in this Province. Re]comended to them by his [Excellency yesterday at the Conference and particularly] think it but just and [reasonable that the malotta girl of Thomas Courtneys,] born of an Engli[sh woman and a Christian, having both her ears] cropt close to [her head by the hands of her tyrannical master and] mistress, be forth[with manumitted and set free, the least recompense that] can be bestowed on [her for so barbarous a cruelty, and that a clause] for that purpose [be inserted in the said Bill]

[Signed per Order, John Llewelin] Clk.

An Act relateing [to the seizure of Tobacco by the Sheriff]

An Act for the

An Act for Constables [taking a list of Taxables].

An Act for quietting [Possessions]

An Act for Easem^t of [the inhabitants of this Province in suits of] Lawe for small Debts, read and passed

Voted whether the Malatta shall be manumitted or noe, for the abuse receiued from her said M^r and Carried by the Majority of Voices to be sett free.

Severall Bills brought from the Gouverno^r & Council by Cap^t Courts, which were sent to be Engrossed.

An Act for Appeales & regulateing Writts of Error, read and Voted wheth^r the same shall be Limitted to a certaine sume or noe, and Carryed in the Affirmatiue, that noe appeales shall be brought vnder the Sume of 1200^{1^{to}b} the which was ordered to be incerted.

An Act for secureing Credito^{rs} read & passed the first Reading.

An Act ag^t importation of Convicted ffellons into this Province, read & passed the 1^t reading

An Act concerning Negroes & Slaves, read & passed the third reading.

All the afd Bills were sent to the Govern^r & Council by M^r Wynne

The house Adjournes till to Morrow Morning Nine of the Clock.