June 4<sup>th</sup> 1692

Assented to by the Councill Board
Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup>

John Llewellin Clk.

June the 2<sup>d</sup> 1692 Lib. L. L.

The house of Assembly No. 1.

have Assented
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Hen: Denton Clk.

An Act for stay of Executions after Aprill Courts.

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Whereas many of the Inhabitants of this Province are and have been Exceedingly grieved and burthen'd by Executions laid upon them for Tobacco in the summer time when it is not possible for them to procure Tobacco for the payment and Satisfaction of their creditors by means wherof they are oftentimes kept in prison a long time and thereby disabled from making and tending their Cropps to the great prejudice if not ruine of many the Inhabitants of this Province, being thereby left destitute of any means to satisfy their Creditors, for prevention whereof, for the future Be it Enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and consent of this present Generall Assembly and the Authority of the same, That after the Tenth day of Aprill in any year no Execution shall Issue out of any the Courts of this Province against the body or Goods of any person or persons inhabiting in this Province till the Tenth day of October next or till the Tenth day of October in any year during the Continuance of this Act for any debt or Debts or upon any Action Judgemt or Judgements sued had or Recovered against any the Inhabitants off or within this Province betwixt the Tenth day of Aprill and the Tenth day of October in any p. 167 year in the Provinciall or any of the County Courts within this Province for any cause matter or thing whatsoever Provided such person or persons against whom any such Judgm<sup>t</sup> is obtained, shall Imediatly after the obtaining such Judgement together with two other parties such as the Justices shall approve of come before one Justice or more of the Provinciall Court or two Justices or more of the respective County Courts where such Judgement is obtained and confess Judgement to the Party that obtained the Judgement as is aforesaid for his debt and costs of suite adjudged with a Cessat Executio till the Tenth day of October then next following, and thereof procure Certificate under the hand of the same Justice or Justices before whom the said Judgement shall be confessed and that such Certificate shall be a sufficient supersedeas to the Sherriff to forbear serving Execution upon the body or goods of the person so obtaining such Certificate, And if the party be taken in Execution before such Certificate be pro-