

Munday May the 20th 1695.

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The house mett, and ordered to be called over, and were absent Cap^t Bayne, M^r Hill, M^r Hawkins, M^r Dent, Coll^o Coursey Major Whittington M^r Scarborough M^r Pollard and Col. Codd.

Then M^r Cheseldyn and the rest of the members appointed for dividing the Countys, Reported that they had with his Excell^{ty}s approbacion made Division thereof, and Signified the same to the Committee of Laws to prepare the Bill accordingly. p. 26

Then was Ordered to be read over what was done yesterday.

Recomended from his Ex^{ty} that an additional Duty of 3^d p hh^d be laid on Tobacco for raising a further supply for the Support of this Province.

Voted if a further Imposition of 3^d p hh^d shall be layd upon tobacco, exported for one year: Carried in the affirmative.

Ordered that the Committee of Laws prepare a Bill therefore.

M^r John Perry appears in the house and being asked what he demanded for officiateing as Post Ma^r eight tymes p An^r betwixt Potomack River and Philadelphia, he offers to undertake the same for 50^{ls} Sterl: p ann:

Then the house proceeded to agree with Colonel Casparus A: Herman for building the new Court house as followeth.

That he shall build the same as it was first proposed with these alteracions onely, that whereas it was to be shingled upon planke. It shall be shingled upon Laths, and whereas the foundation was to be made of brick, it shall be of Stone up to the Water Tables, for which he shall have 200000^{ls} of Tobacco and 250^{ls} Sterling, to wit: 100000^{ls} of Tobacco this Levy, and 100000^{ls} of Toba^c the next year, 100^{ls} Sterl: this year and 100^{ls} Sterl: the next year upon finishing thereof.

To all which the said Col^o Herman agreed and undertook to do the same.

Ordered That Major Hamond, Major Ridgely, and Cap^t Hill be appointed to oversee that the said worke be well done.

Resolved that M^r John Perry be allowed 50^{ls} Sterl. p Ann upon Condition he shall discharge all publique Messages and packetts as his Ex^{ty} shall direct, and also discharge this province from any expence whatever by reason of any messengers to be employed for the countrys Service.

The house Adjournes till two of the Clock this afternoone.

Post Meridiem. The house again mett, and ordered to be called over, were absent Cap^t Bayne, M^r Saunders, M^r Haw-