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The Sev^rall Co^mittees enter the house.

A Bill for the imposition of 20^s p poll on negroes imported read the first tyme and passed

A Bill for assessing 3^d p hogshead on tob: for defraying the publike Charge of this province read the first tyme & passed.

Major Dent returns to the house with the hon^{ble} Col Greenberry & Col Addison who administred the Oaths appointed by Act of parliam^t unto Mr Crauford Major Barton Col Beale & Mr Hatton who in p^rsence of the at^d Gentⁿ of his Ma^{ty}s hon^{ble} Councill Subscribed the test

p. 21 Ordered that the new Members take their places

The house is adjourned till to morrow morning at 6 of the Clock.

Tuesday May [the 12th 1696]

The house [mett, Absent Mr. Watson] Cap^t Waughop Mr Robert Smith [Mr Scarborough and Col. St.] Leidger Codd.

A Bill im[powering the Committee of Kent] County to purchase 3 Acres of [Land whereon to build a Court] house. Read first 2^d & 3^d tymes by [order of the house and passed] nemine contradicente.

Recom^dended [that Mr. Perry] be continued post for this province at the [same sallary] as last year agreed for

Put to the Question if he shall be continued at the same Sallary

And carryed in the Affirmative nemine contradicente.

Ordered that the publike Treasurer for the Western Shoar of this province pay him 50^l sterl. his Sallary due for his last years service out of what shall accrew to this province.

put to the Question if the Severall Sherriffs shall be continued after their tyme expired according to Act of Assembly for Election of Sherriffs Carryed by majority of Voices that they shall not be continued.

A Bill for laying an Imposition upon negroes read the second tyme. The s^d Bill read the 3^d tyme & passed.

A Bill for Assessing 3^d p hogs^{hd} upon tob: for defraying the publike Charge of this province read the 2^d & 3^d tymes by Order of the house and passed.

The petition of Cap^t John Dorsey read in the house complaining that he had paid Levys for 5 years together for his Serv^{ts} on a plantation near potapscoe River in the County of An Arundell where the s^d Levys were usually taken, and has also paid their Levy's this year in An Arundel County yet the same
p. 22 Serv^{ts} are returned as taxables in Baltemore County whereupon that Sherrif has Executed the pet^r tob.