

are hereby appoint[ed a Committee] to inspect and peruse the Laws of this province, and make [their] reporte to the next Session of Assembly. Original Journal.

Ordered the said Committee meet some tyme the next provinciall Court, at the Porte of Annapolis, and that Wm Bladen be their Clarke.

House adjourned for two hours.

Post Meridiem The house met.

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and Councill July the 8th 1697

The Message last night by M^r Clarke, Major Hamond &c was received, as also that by Col: Codd, Cap^t Tasker and M^r Clarke this morning Sent wherein this house prays some further tyme to consider of a certain Bill therein mencōned. This Board do therefore reco^mend that they dispatch the other business now lying before them, and bring up the Severall bills engrossed that some Speedy end may be put to this present Sessions.

Signed p Order. Henry Denton Clk. Councill

Severall members Justices of the provinciall Court and others appointed a Committee to apportion the publique Levy Viz^t M^r Rob^t Mason, M^r Philip Clarke, M^r Rob^t Smith Col. S^t Leger Codd, Major John Hamond, Cap^t Rich^d Hill, Major Willm Dent, M^r Edw^d Boothby, M^r Mathew Scarborough, M^r John Pollard, Col: Aug Herrman, and M^r W^m Hatton who are to meet at the porte of Annapolis the 2nd day of Octob^r next They or the Major part of them to apportion the publique Levy. Ordered Willm Bladen as clarke to the said Committee

Major Smithson informs the house that he is publiq^e Treasurer for the Eastern Shoar, he has 12200^l tob: in his hands by the imposition upon offices

A Bill for repealing the act ag^t Strikeing of Fish in Dorchester and Somersett Countyes, read three tymes and passed. p. 12

A Bill for assessing the publiq^e Charge of this province, read three tymes & passed.

The house adjourned themselves for an hour, And M^r Speaker and the rest of the members go up to his Ex^{cy} and carry with them the following Bills Viz^t

A Bill for san[ctifying and keeping holy] the Lords day comonly called Sunday.

A Bill [Supplementary to] the Act for raising a Supply for defraying [the publique charge] of this province.

A Bill prohibi[ting all manner] of prophane swearing and cursing.