

Original Journal. A Lre from the R^t hon^{ble} the Lords of his Ma^{tys} most hon^{ble} privy Council vnto his Ex^{cy} sent & directed bearing date the 27th day of August last past together with a printed proclamacōn issued by their Ex^{cys} the Lords Justices of England for Apprehending & seizing one Henry Every alias Bridgeman & others &c. being produced & read were Ordered to be layd before the house recomending that all imaginable dilligence be vsed for the discovering & apprehending all such pirats & sea Robbers as are therein mencōned Especially the s^d Cap^t Every & his men The said proclamacōn & Lre were delivered into the house accordingly by the Clerke of this Board.

Quærie whether the militia of this province as now armed be defence sufficient for a land force. His Ex^{cy} supposing that an Eighth part of them are not rightly Armed.

His Ex^{cy} does say that there is noe navall force within this province not soe much as a Shallop and that if the Country does Come to any damage for want of such navall force he quit himselfe of it and layes it vpon their heads that have refused to Adresse his Ma^{ty} thereabout

Quærie what is to be done with the shippes that shall remaine in the Country after the men of warr in Virg^a (lately arrived) are gone The advice of the house being desired to know whether they shall be stopt or not.

Proposed that an Ordinance passe that noe tobacco be smoaked in any of the roomes of the State house vnder a penalty of 10^s to his Ma^{ty} towards repairing the s^d State house.

Brought from the house of Delegates by M^r Smith & M^r Boothby severall bills fairly Engrossed & assented to by the house which were severally read in order Viz^t

p. 44 An Act for Confirming titles of land given to the vse of the Churches & severall Chappells within this province & Impowring the Com^{rs} of the severall Counties & Vestrys of the respective parishes & take vp certaine parcells of land for the vse of the same.

Assented to by his Ma^{tys} hon^{ble} Council.

An Addicōnall Act to the Act of Assembly entituled an Act for speedy Justice for small debts. Assented to by his Ma^{tys} hon^{ble} Council.

An Act ascertaining how & when execucōn shall be graunted for publick officers fees. Assented to by his Ma^{tys} hon^{ble} Council.

An Act for Enabling M^{rs} Katherine Herman widow & relict of Coll Casparus August Herman decd to sell land in the port of Annapolis according to Contract of her s^d decd husband assented to by his Ma^{tys} hon^{ble} Council.