

Original Journal. Hono^{ble} the Solicito^r Gen^{ls} Report relating to the same therefore willed them to give some Answer thereto to which M^r Speaker in the Name of the Rest of the house Makes Answer that they humbly conceive that the said Records were alwayes in the Custody of the Secretaries of this Province & haue hitherto been well preserved, therefore the house are of Opinion that the same still be best preserved where they are notwithstanding the said Report considering their Maj^{ties} haue noe particular ffort or place here within this province to preserve the said Records in Resolved that the same be debated by the house of Burgesses to Morrow & that the Law which settles ffees to the hono^{ble} the Secretary for granting Warr^{ts} for Land & Recording Certificates & issueing patents &^{ca} be then likewise consulted.

Act for Reliefe of the Creditors & Legatees of Marke Cordea dec^d Referred to be considered by M^r Attorney Gen^l whether the same does not come under statute of Mortmaine & soe lyable to fall either to the King or my Lord & that he Make Report thereof accordingly.

p. 51 Proposed that a Surveyo^r Gen^l be appointed for the Governm^t whoe shall qualifye himselfe by Law & Give security for his Deputyes one to be placed in each County for Resurveying All Lands where differences arise at Law about titles of Land & that such Dep^{ties} be Obliedged to keep within their owne Countye in Executeing their Office & to be qualified & Sworne as a^d Agreed to be Considered of in the house.

Demanded where the Originall Laws made in Govern^r Copleys time were & Answer was made that by Mistake it is believed they were sent for England, concluded that the same be Debated in the house of Burgesses to Morrow Morning & that a further Debate & Answer be made to the Supplye of New Yorke.

That Collectors ffees be settled by a Law as well as the Navall Officers. Cobby of the severall Remarkes made by the Councill in the Act for ports was Transcribed by the Clerke of the house of Burgesses by Order for the Consideracōn of the house.

Adjourne till To Morrow

Saturday October 13th 1694:

Councill again Sate & were all present

M^r Attorney Gen^{ls} Report to this Board upon the Petition of Thomas Courtney formerly here Read Ordered that the said peticōn & Report be Referred to the house of Burgesses for their Consideracōn

Message from the house by Cap^t Dent M^r Hutchinson M^r