Ordered that it be Referred to Mr Attorney and Lib. H. D. Sollicitor Gen^{II} for them to Consult & Return their Opinion to this Board whether the Sheriffs of the Counties can legally leave their County, during their Shriveltey, & whether the posse can be raised in the absence of the high Sherriffe.

September the 26th 1696.

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The Councill again Sate and were present

His Exney ffrancis Nicholson Esq Capt Genll &cca
Star Thomas Laurence Baront Secry
Coll: George Robotham
Coll: Nicho Greenberry
Coll: Charles Hutchins

Control of Capt Genll &cca
Coll: David Brown
Coll: John Addison
Thomas Brooke Esq.
James ffrisby Esq.

Motions of Upon motion made by the honrble Coll: John Add-Mats honrble ison & Thomas Brooks Esq that they might be permitted to goe home, the sd Coll: Addison urging some pressing occasions which require his attendance there; and the sd Mr Brooks urging that his Servants were now in hand about building a Mill and could not goe forward therewith without his prence; Coll: Robotham also desiring the leave of this Board to Retire home in Ord' to the looking after two Severall Cargoes of Goods web Requires his hast at this time—His Exncy was pleased to say that his Mats Royall Instructions unto him does direct that he shall not hold Councills to doe any business of consequence under the number of ffive of the Gentlemen of the Councill being preent, w. unless in case of absolute necessity therefore acquainted them that they would doe well to agree among themselves about it, who should goe or stay, so that ffive might be left, and he should be willing thereto; Whereupon leave was given by Consent to the three aforementioned Gentlemen to goe.

Coll: Greenberry Signifying his present leave to goe home His hon' Coll: Greenberry Signifying his present indisposition of body desires leave to Retier home untill Munday next.

Mr Muschamps
Bond for his
Know all men by these p'sents that I George
Receivers
Place &cca
Muschamp of St Maries County Esqt do owe and
stand indebted unto our Soveraign Lord King William the Third &cca in the full and Just sume of One hundred
and ffifty pounds Sterl. Money of England & Wee Philip
Clark and Thomas Waughop of the sd County Gentl in the
like Sume of One hundred & ffifty pounds sterl. each the wch