

Original the Survivo<sup>r</sup> of them to sell and Acknowledge such Lands as  
 Journal. were left by Colonel Vincent Lowe for the payment of his just  
 Debts, Read the first tyme, Upon reading whereof reco<sup>m</sup>ended  
 to the house that a Law be made where any person dying  
 with in this province dyes indebted so much that his psonall  
 Estate will not answer the same that then his lands if he has  
 any be made Subject to the paym<sup>t</sup> thereof the good Effect of  
 which law is dayly Experienced in our neighbouring province  
 of pensilvania, Whereby Merch<sup>ts</sup> and others are the better  
 Encouraged to Creditt Free holders

That for the future when any person intends to petition the  
 Assembly for the Sale of Lands

p. 23 Ordered that he State his Case and publish it in all the  
 Countys in the province three months before the Assembly  
 sitt from which he expects Reliefe.

The pet. of Colonel Henry Mitchel referrd to the Com<sup>i</sup>tee  
 of Accompts.

Ord<sup>d</sup> that it be referred to the house to give their Opinion  
 whether a person who hath not been in the Country three  
 years is not debarr<sup>d</sup> by the law for Encouragem<sup>t</sup> of learning  
 and to be Clk of a parish or Clk of the Vestry, proposed that  
 the house would make some law or proposalls for the better  
 Correspondency and neighbourhood of this province with the  
 Colony of Virg<sup>a</sup> as Runaway Drs Serv<sup>ts</sup> Negroes Felony and  
 other Criminalls and that the law may be the Same in Vir-  
 ginia as here to people Entertayning and takeing up Runaway  
 Serv<sup>ts</sup> there or here.

Came Colonel John Thompson Nav<sup>l</sup> officer at the head of  
 the Bay and mad oath to his Acco<sup>t</sup> Major Thomas Smith Cap<sup>t</sup>  
 Philip Hoskins and M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Hutchison being p<sup>r</sup>sent from the  
 house.

Then Came the following Message from the house of Dele-  
 gates by Colonel John Thompson M<sup>r</sup> perry and others viz<sup>t</sup>

By the house of Delegates No<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1698.

By a Com<sup>i</sup>tee especially appointed by us to inspect Sev<sup>r</sup>all  
 papers and Lr<sup>es</sup> by his Ex<sup>cy</sup> delivered to this house and to  
 make Reporte of w<sup>t</sup> they shall find Conven<sup>t</sup> and necessary to  
 be Answered by this house and make Reporte thereof do  
 make this ffollowing Reporte Viz<sup>t</sup>

In a long Lr<sup>e</sup> frome the L<sup>ds</sup> of the Com<sup>i</sup>tee of Trade and  
 plantation bearing Date the second day of Sep<sup>t</sup> 1697 this  
 Com<sup>i</sup>tee have made these Sev<sup>r</sup>all Observations one the  
 Sev<sup>r</sup>all paragraphs therein

1<sup>st</sup> As to the first part of which we find perticularly