

shew such marke of yo^r Displeasure to them as as to Consent with this house that yo^r Gentⁿ each of them pay ten shillings apiece to our Serjeant at Armes and suffer the said Paper to be burned and receive M^r Crawford to yo^r Ex^{ncy} favour you will give us occasion to magnifie yo^r Justice and readiness to p^rserve our Rights and to be always tender of yo^r Ex^{ncy} Hon^r and to pray for yo^r long Continuance amongst us

Signed p Ord^r
W Bladen Cl Dom Dell.

Munday Mar^{ch} the 21th 1697/8.

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The Councill again sate and were p^rsent as yesterday. Upon representacōn th^t the sever^{ll} sheriffs doe grievously burthen the Inhabitants of this his Maj^{ty} Province in Charging excessive fees especially upon p^rsons lying under Execucōn where they usually charge twenty a day during their Imprisonment for each particular Execucōn the Prisoner is served wth therefore p^rposed th^t a Law bee made to redress such Grievance asserting the fees and punish the party transgressing

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r & Council in
Assembly March the 21th 1697/8.

His Ex^{ncy} is pleased to Comānd M^r Speaker & the whole house imediately to attend him in Council to settle the matter about the Indians Reported by the Comītee being one of the principle things for w^{ch} the Assembly was Called

Sign'd p Ord^r

Hen: Denton Cl Concl.

Thomas Tench & James frisbury Esq^r sent with the sd Message.

Who returne & say they delivered their message & th^t the house had adjourn^d till twelve o Clock.

Brought from the house of Delegates by M^r Hen: Hawkins and four other members the following Bills Vizt A Bill appointing Court dayes in each respective County &

A Bill for reviving Cæcill County process &

A Bill for Restraining the Extortions of Sherriffs and the following Message Vizt

By the house of Delegates
Mar^{ch} 19th 1697/8.

May itt please yo^r Ex^{ncy}

Upon reading the farther Reporte of the Comītee concern-

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