L. H. J. be added to the publick Levy and lodged in the hands of Capt Edward Swettnam high Sheriff of Kent County.

Resolved that the 1000 Tobaccoe to be substracted from

Maj^r Ennalls allowance be given to the DooreKeeper.

Moved by some of the members of this house, that Iohn Gray sub. Sherriff of Ann Arundell County had served them with Supra^a and prayed that they might have their priviledges as being Burgesses.

Ordered that the Sergt attendant take into his Custody the said Ino Gray and bring him before this house to answer his

contempt.

The honble Thomas Tench Esq^r and Collo Iohn Addison Enter the house and present the following Messages.

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and Councill in Assembly Nov^r 12th 1698.

A Rumor being spread abroad, That a Letter which was signed by the house of Delegates and to be sent to the Lord Bishop of London or some other pson was altered and that another which was not the same, but another since signed by the honble Robert Smith Esq. then Speaker was sent.

It is therefore recomended to the house that Enq¹⁷ be made thereinto That if any such Misseazance had been comitted the p. 275 pson or psons Guilty thereof may be punished according to Law or otherwise if noe such thing can be made to appeare that the Divulgers of such false reports may be punished they being of a very ill consequence and tending to great disturbance in this province by amuseing the Good people thereof and Justifying Feares and Jealousys among them.

Signed by order. Will: Bladen Clk: Councill.

By the Hon^{vie} his Matys^a Councill in Assembly Nov^r 12th 1698.

The Bills sent by M^r Iohn Whittington and severall others of the houses members are under Consideration of this board.

And we Desire to know the houses Resolucons as to the Two Bills proposed by us to the which your remarkes and amendments having been proposed the passing of them ought not to be suspended without a conference on them both.

Signed p order. W Bladen Clk: Councill.

A Bill for assessing the publick levy read the first and second time.