

Post meridiem eodem die

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Councill Sate p<sup>r</sup>sent as before

M<sup>r</sup> Iohn Hall &c. Came from the house with these Bills.

An Act for Stay Executions after the 10<sup>th</sup> of Aprill Yearly read the first time

An Act Impowering the Com<sup>rs</sup> of the County Courts &c read the first time

An Act for Speedy Conveying publick Letters read the first time

An Act Impowering Vestrys to Assess their parishioners read the 2<sup>d</sup> time.

Came M<sup>r</sup> James Saunders, Maj<sup>r</sup> Thomas Smith, M<sup>r</sup> Michael Miller and 9 other members of the house with the following Address

By the house of Delegates Iuly the 15<sup>th</sup> 1699.

May it please yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>cy</sup>

Your Ex<sup>cy</sup>'s Message by the hon<sup>ble</sup> Thomas Tench Esq<sup>r</sup> and Col Iohn Addison has been here rec<sup>d</sup> and this house humbly desires that your Ex<sup>cy</sup> will Accept of our hearty and unfeigned thanks as well for your fervent Zeale for the Good of this province as for your so free and Generous undertakeing in being a Mediator for us before such time as we were known unto you but presume that your Own Generous Inclination was the onely Motive that then induced you wherefore with the more Cheerfull Assurance of your Continuance of your wonted Goodness we humbly subscribe our selves.

Your Ex<sup>cys</sup> most humble and  
obedient Serv<sup>ts</sup>

Signed in behalfe of the house of Delegates.

Tho: Smithson Speaker

To which his Ex<sup>cys</sup> Answer was Sent, by Thomas Tench Esq<sup>r</sup> and Col Iohn Addison (with the Bills read this Afternoone) thus Viz<sup>t</sup>

Gent<sup>n</sup>

My Zeal has not been Wanting to become a Mediator for what you Desire in your Address as you will perceive by the Copy of a Letter here Sent you which I wrote to the Lords Comissioners of Trade and plantations upon that Topick and my Endeavours and Interest shall not be wanting to my friends att home to Assist you when it is put in a Method for