Original Journal A Bill of Directions for the Sherriffs Office

A Bill obligeing the Constables to take the list of Taxables which are read and Assented to by the Councill and sent to the house By Majr Iohn Hamond and Thomas Tasker Esqr

The Board adjourned 'till 2 in the afternoon

## Post Meridiem

Councill Sate, Absent Col Hen: Iowles

Came Maj<sup>r</sup> Thomas Ennalls and three other Delegates with A Bill for ordering and regulateing the Militia which is read

and will pass with Amendments

A Bill for the Benefitt of the Kings Subjects where the Laws of this province are defective read and being repugnant to the Laws of England is not thought fitt to be passed, neither is there any occasion to make such Law It being Sufficiently declared in the Act of Religion how and where the Laws of England shall take place,

Ordered to lye on the Table

A Bill for Speedy Tryall of Criminalls read & passed. This and the Bill for regulateing the Militia sent to the house Robert Smith and Thomas Tasker  $Esq^{rs}$ 

O. 85 Came Mr Walter Smith and 3 more of the Members of the house of Delegates and brought these Bills Assented to by the house Viz<sup>t</sup>

A Bill secureing Merchts and others Tobba after received

A Bill secureing parochiall Librarys

A Bill for regulateing Ordinarys and limitting the numbers of them.

A Bill for punishment of Blasphemy, fornication, Adultery and prophane Cursing and swearing.

A Bill for recovering Arrears due from publick Officers

A Bill for for payment of ffees due from Criminalls

A Bill for preventing vexatious and unnecessary Suites att Law.

A Bill for Encouragem<sup>t</sup> of such persons as will undertake to build Water Mills, which are Assented to by the Councill and sent to the house By Thomas Tench, Thomas Brook, Iames Frisby Esq<sup>rs</sup> and Col Iohn Courts.

Came Major Iohn Lowe and 3 more of the houses Members

A Bill relateing to Servants and Slaves read and will pass with the Amendm<sup>t</sup> proposed

A Bill Imposeing a fine on Maj<sup>r</sup> Edward Dorsey and the sherriffs of Cæcill and Talbott County's read and will pass with Amendments, and were sent back to the house

The following Message sent from the house by Major Whittington and Mr Briscoe Vizt