

Original Journal. Bill for Naturallizacon of Severall psons read the second time and doe pass for Engrossing.

Bill Investing Land in Dorothy Stevens read the second time and doe pass for engrossing.

Bill for Investing Land on S^t James pish read the second time and doe pass for engrossing.

Proposed whether it be not Convenient that the Rangers be taken of and Disbanded or not.

Resolved that an humble address be made to his Ex^{cy} for for that purpose.

James Baker Doorkeeper p^sents the hon^{ble} Speaker his peticōn as follow viz^t

To The Hon^{ble} Tho^s Smithson Esq^r Speaker of the house of Assembly and the Rest of the Dellegates and Burgesses now convened.

The humble peticon of James Baker Doorkeeper.

Sheweth, That your pe^{tr} for Severall years Last past has been a partaker of your abundant favour of which in all tyes of obligatory Duty he is obliged to return your Hon^{rs} his most humble and hearty thanks.

That your pet^r the Last Generall Assembly presented his humble peticōn to your Hon^{rs} therein setting forth that by reason of decrepit age Lameness and other infirmetye he was reduced to a very low State and condicōn and Consequently Supplicated your Hon^{rs} to bestow upon him a Servant. The prayer of w^{ch} peticon was Granted but the then clarke of the Committee of Accounts either by his inadvertency or mistake in writeing omitted to enter your Honors order in the account and by that means your pet^r is hitherto left without in Contempt to the order of this hon^{ble} house.

Your pet^r therefore most humbly prays your Hon^{rs} to be favorably pleased to bestow upon him a negroe to relieve him in his Great necessity and thereby your Hon^{rs} (under God) will preserve him and his poore ancient Wife and family from perishing

And your pet^r shall ever pray &c:

Which being read the poverty and age of the pet^r is by the house Considered. It is Resolved that an able Serv^t be forthwith p^{ch}ased and delivered him for his reliefe in his old age, and Ordered that Coll Jn^o Smith and Coll^o Jn^o Thompson buy a Serv^t forthwith to be delivered the pet^r and this house will see the same payd for if his Ex^{cy} shall please to concurr therewith.

The following Message by order last night prepared and read as foll^o