

P. R. O. Accounts Wee had tho never so Small & Uncertaine Suffi-
 B. T. Md. cient to Caution us to Stand upon our defence And Avert
 Vol. 17. Such Apparent prejudice to the p^rsent well Setled constitucon
 of our Countrey And upon the conference Wee did propose
 Not only that Money should be remitted to England but some
 trusty Sencible person Sent by this Assembly to negotiate this
 Affaire Which was referd to yo^r Consideration but Wee finde
 reject'd Therefore to what end Shou'd Wee frame Addresses
 never to be presented or considerd of Which without money to
 Accompany them to the persons whose sever^l hands and Offices
 they must pass through cann Expect No better fortune or
 Countenance twas upon this Score And no other Wee refused
 to Ioyne in the Address And now Assure You that Wee Wish
 yo^r Whole house had As deep A Sence of this eminent danger
 as Wee haue, for then Surely You would do what is fitting to
 preserve Yo^r constitucon And then his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and this
 board will never refuse heartily to Ioyne With You in this
 Address or any other for the Interest & Advantage of the
 province. Signd p order W^m Bladen Cl^t Council^l

Read and referd for further consideration.
 The following Engrost bills brought into the house Viz^t.
 Bill for punishing Adultery and fornication
 Bill for payment of fees from Criminalls
 Read & Assented to by the house of Dels.
 Bill for Admtracon of Iustice in probatt of Wills
 Read the 1st and 2^d time and do pass.
 Sent up to the Councill p M^r Tho^s Greenfeild M^r W^m Peirce
 & M^r W^m Watts Who returne and say they deliverd the same.
 The house Adjourn'd till 2 A Clock in the Afternoone.

Post Merediem

The house met According to Adjournm^t and being call'd
 over were present as in the morning.

Proposd by A member whither Indians brought from other
 Countrey's and Sold As Slaves here Are to be Accounted so,
 Since the law is not full in that point

Resolv'd they be Accounted so if sold for such which is
 referd to the Consideration of next Assembly

The honob Thomas Smithson Esq^r from the Comittee of laws
 enters the house and brings with him the land laws
 with the lord Baltemores Exceptions And this houses Answer
 to it. Which was read And orderd to be considerd of to
 morrow.

Kenelm Cheseldyne & W^m Coursey Esq^{rs} Enter the house
 and delivers M^r Speaker the following message Viz^t.