

Post Meridiem. The House met again according to Ad- Lib. 41. Journment.

Being called over were present as in the Morning.

The Message from the Council of the 12th Instant by Col^o Jenkins was read this Day and ordered to be entered Viz.

By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly
April 12th 1706.

Some Persons having been presented by the Grand Juries in the Provincial and Ann Arundel County Courts for Bigamy and for suffering a Quaker Conventicle to be kept in their House the Justices and Officers of those Courts are at a Stand in the Prosecution. The Laws of England providing against those Offences seeming to them to be wholly restrained to her Majesty's Subjects residing within the Kingdom of England so that for want of Law in this Country those Offenders expect to escape unpunished according to the old saying where there is no Law there's no Offence Wherefore its recommended to the Consideration of this General Assembly either to declare those Laws of England reach hither for the better Satisfaction of the several Courts of Justice or otherwise by some good wholesome Laws to restrain the said Offence. Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Council.

Upon reading that Part relating to Bigamy the House resolve that a Bill be brought in declaring that the Act of Parliament against Bigamy has been & still is in Force within this Province. And as to the second Branch of the said Message relating to Quaker Conventicles this House are of ^{p. 80} opinion that the Act for Religion has sufficiently provided that they are punishable according to the Act of Parliament in that Case.

Ordered a Message be drawn up and sent to the Governor & Council in Answer to their Message.

Bill for Advancement of Trade &^{ca} Read second Time with Amendment and do pass.

Sent up to the Council for their Concurrence by M^r William Frisby, M^r Rob^t Tyler, M^r William Watts, M^r Francis Dallahyde, M^r John Macclaster & M^r Joseph Ennalls M^r John Jones & M^r Gerrard Fowlke. They return and say they delivered the Bill.

M^r Samuel Young, M^r Robert Skinner, and M^r John Leach ordered to attend the Council with M^r Plater Navall Officer for Patuxent District to see him prove his Aco^{ts}

They return and say they have seen it done.