

particular Assumption. And as to such Articles as lye properly in Accounts the Words are so general they serve to amuse the Justices, who often admit of large Proofs which tend to introduce Perjury and therefore we cannot but recommend it to your serious Consideration. L. H. J.

And whereas it is for the Honour of Almighty God that the Clergy of this Province should be supported and the Rites and Dues of our infant Church well secured. It is proposed that when or wheresoever it shall happen that any Part of 40 Tobacco p Poll or other Rights or Emolument belonging to the Church may happen to be lodged in any Persons Hands who shall die before they have satisfied and accounted to the respective Vestries or Incumbents for the same, that in all such Cases his Claims from their Executors or Administrators shall be paid as preferable to all other Debts Dues and Demands whatsoever (the Rights and Dues to our sovereign Lady the Queen always excepted & foreprized)

3^d The Act of Assembly against the Exportation of European Goods is experienced since the short Time it has been in force to be a great Discouragement to the Trade of this Province import which is diverted thereby from this Province and carried directly to other Ports, whereas this Country would be the Port of Trade for such Vessels therefore advise it to be repealed.

His Excellency has received her Majesty's Directions that the Quakers in this Province be compelled to contribute a proportionable Share to the Charge of Militia and Defence of the Country but that the Distresses made upon them for their Defaults be not extraordinary beyond the Bounds of Moderation or more than what is levyed on others. Wherefore we propose a Supplementary Law be made providing therefor and since the Method of laying the Fines by Act of Assembly on such who neglect to appear and serve in the Militia being only on the Goods and Chattels and no Execution given against the Body of the Defaulters has no Effect as to young Freemen who has no visible Personable Estates whereon the Sheriffs may levy them it is proposed that in such Case Execution may be awarded against their Bodies otherwise there is no way to inforce them

Signed p Order. W Bladen Cl. Co.

1. Which being read and debated in the House. It's resolved ^{p. 129} that as to the first Paragraph of the Message and the matter therein contained that the Law is sufficient as already enacted.

2. The second Paragraph relating to the Rights of the Church being again read and debated. Resolved there is no Occasion of a Bill.