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The House met according to Adjournment. Being called over were all present as Yesterday.

Read what was done Yesterday

Bill to redress the great Evil accruing by the Multitude of useless Horses Read the first and second Times by Special Order and will pass.

Sent up to the Council by M<sup>r</sup> Clagett and M<sup>r</sup> Govert Lockerman

They return and say they delivered the Bill

Bill permitting the Inhabitants to sue out Writs and confess Judgment in their proper Persons Read the first and second Times by Special Order and committed for Amendment

The Bill and Message prepared last Night relating to the Indians sent up to the Council by the Members of Dorchester and Somerset Counties.

They return & say they delivered the same

The two ingrossed Bills assented to Yesterday sent up to the Honble Council by M<sup>r</sup> Tyler, M<sup>r</sup> John Mackall, M<sup>r</sup> Mariartee & M<sup>r</sup> Scott.

They return and say they delivered the Bills

The Message relating to the Bill reinvesting Seward's Heirs into certain Tract of Land Ordered to be prepared last Night Read approved and ordered to be entered Viz.

By the House of Delegates  
11<sup>th</sup> Novem. 1712

We cannot concur with your Honours that the last Indorsement on this Bill by this House is any ways unparliamentary but are of a contrary Opinion and well assured that this Session is the Time to which the Bill was last referred, and that every Session of Parliament is in Law a new Parliament. We are not unsensible of the Difference between an Adjournment and a Prorogation, and the last was neither but a Dissolution and so this a new Assembly and if all Matters referred from the last to this should be discontinued it would be very inconvenient for then every Thing not then finished must begin anew, and then to what Purpose is any Reference when it's in the Power of any Governor to dissolve the Assembly and have a new one every Session? or to what Intent does the House of Commons at the Election of a new Speaker read some of the Bills that did not pass the Royal Assent the last Session (as it were to give him Seizin of the House) if according to your way of Reasoning they were discontinued and must be-