

able or if Negroes the Profit of their Labour must be the Sheriffs And altho' the Wisdom of the Kingdom of England never thought meet to make such an Act there being many Markets and many Buyers yet we know several Acts of the like Nature to this in the English Plantations and why this Province should be denied the Liberty that others are allowed we know not unless it be to satisfy the covetous Desires of a few Merciless Creditors and Mercenary Officers and to bring the Commonality into Poverty and Slavery out of which we have and Hope always shall endeavour to keep them tho' at present it's not in our Power hardly obtaining any Thing that tends thereto

L. H. J.
Lib. 4^t
p. 37^o

Signed p Order Rich^d Dallam Cl. Ho. Del.

Supplementary Act to the Act for Probat of Wills &^{ta} Read the first and second Times by special Order and will pass.

Sent up with the aforesaid Message to the Honble Council by M^r John Mackall, M^r James Mackall, M^r John Broome, Capt. Jones, M^r Hammond, M^r Sprigg, M^r Brooks and M^r Clagett. They return and say they delivered their Message and Bill

Resolved the said Act about Sheriffs executing Writs of fieri facias be referred for further Consideration next Session of Assembly

The Honble Col^o Greenfield and Col^o Addison enter the House and deliver M^r Speaker the following Message.

By the Council in Assembly
Nov. 14th 1712

Gentl. In Answer to your Message desiring to know our Sentiments whether it might be for the Good of the Province to move his Ldp the L^d Propry to accept of his Rents in Tobacco at two Pence p Pound upon the same Condition for his Successors at it now stands with his Lordship we shall not take upon us to prescribe Rules to your House but as you more immediately represent the People if you think it advisable to write to his Lordship to know his Inclinations upon what Terms he will be pleased to settle the Rents for himself his Heirs and Successors you may use your Discretion.

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Council.

Ingrossed Bill relieving the Inhabitants from some Aggrievances they lye under in Prosecution of Suits in Law

Ingrossed Bill restraining the Inhabitants from selling great Quantities of Liquors to the Indians &^{ta}