

L. H. J. of the Committee of Laws thereon Read and referred for
Lib. 4^t further Consideration next Sessions

Anthony Joy's Petⁿ Read and referred to the Committee of
Laws to examine the Pet^{rs} Pretensions and Allegations and
report their Opinion therein to the House

The House adjourns till Monday Morning Nine O'Clock.

Monday 2nd Nov. 1713

The House met according to Adjournment Called over and
the following Members absent. Capt. Jones, M^r Joseph Hill
sick, and M^r Wells

Read what was done on Saturday

Bill for killing Wolves, Crows and Squirrels.

Bill for Relief of Debtors and ascertaining the Manner of
Tenders in Tobacco both read the second Time & will pass.

Bill for more speedy conveying publick Letters & Packets
Read the second Time and committed for Amendment

Report of the Committee of Aggrievances brought into the
House on Saturday Read and debated and Ordered to be
entered Viz.

By the Committee of Aggrievances
October 31st 1713

It's humbly offered to this Committee as an Aggrievance
that whereas Negroes that are Slaves when accused of Steal-
ing or thieving any Goods or Chattels of a small Value are
committed into Prison until they receive a Trial for the same
by a due Course of Law whereby it burthens the Counties by
paying the several Officers fees accruing by Occasion thereof
they being Slaves and not capable of making Satisfaction by
Servitude or otherwise either to the County for their fees or
to their Masters for the Loss of their Service All which might
be prevented if any one or two Justices of each County had
Power to punish such Negroes for the Crime aforesaid as the
Nature of the Case should require All which is referred to the
House for their Consideration.

Signed p Order John Beale Cl. Com.

Upon reading the above Report the House concurs with
the Committee & Resolve it is an Aggrievance and referred
for further Consideration next Session of Assembly

Reference from Saturday of Richard Acton's Petition Read
and at his Prayer referred till next Session of Assembly.