

And thereupon was informed that the several Sallerys and U. H. J Allowances are ascertained by an Act of Assembly made therefore

His Excellency is pleased to ask if Justice be well administered in the Several County Courts and whither some of those Courts have not delayed to dispatch the Causes before them; Is told there have not been any Complaints of that Kind save of one or two County Courts in the whole Province

His Excellency proposes to the Council whither It may not be fit a Letter be wrote from this Board to the Several County Courts to certifie to his Excellency what Causes are depending before them and why they are not Expedited

Which is thought very reasonable & Ordered that such Letters be wrote

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His Excellency is further pleased to propose whither It may not be reasonable the Clerks of the Several County Courts in this Province should not be obliged once in the year to send his Excellency Copys of the Judgments and Proceedings of their Courts

The Board do think if the County Clerks send Copys of their Doggetts It may suffice with the reason of their Several Continuances & of their Adjournments contrary to the Settled Times appointed by Act of Assembly

It being offered at the Board that tho the common Law of England is generally received in this Province yet Several Statutes of England which may be very beneficial in this Province are often denyed to be of Authority with us The s^d Statutes not particularly including her Majesty's Plantations by expresly mentioning them

His Excellency says he believes It may be very advisable to write to their Agent in England to have the Opinion of some of the Queen's Council & of others eminent in Law what Statutes are in force in this Province

Col Ennalls requests the favour of his Excell and this Board that he may have leave to go home on very urgent Affairs— which was granted him

The Council adjourned till half an hour after three in the Afternoon

Post Meridiem

The Council Sate Present as in the morning with the Addition of Col Holland

Ordered that Col Holland & L^t Col Young carry the follow- p. 91
ing message to the House of Delegates Viz.