

Col^o Coursey and Col^o Greenfield from the Hoⁿble Council enter the House and deliver M^r Speaker the ingrossed Bill for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in the Prosecution of Suits at Law with the foll. Message Viz.

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By the Council in Assembly
July 2^d 1714

We do own that the Multiplicity of Messages tends very much to the Delay of Business. We are sorry we have any Occasion thereof which would have been prevented had you taken Notice of the Recommendation sent you in Favour of the Attorneys practising in the County Courts immediately after the Amendments proposed to the Bill and even before they were debated in your House The Merchants in England may justly complain that for want of due encouragement given such Attorneys they cannot find fit Persons to prosecute their Actions in these Courts wherefore we must insist upon the Clause recommended to be added which is the only Delay given to the Bill.

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Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Conl.

Col^o Edward Lloyd and Col^o William Holland from the Hoⁿble Council enter the House and acquaint M^r Speaker That his Excellency very well approves of the Message sent by M^r Stoddart and other Members in Relation to the House and Rent.

Col^o Samuel Young and Col^o Thomas Addison from the Hoⁿble Council enter the House and deliver M^r Speaker the Bill for reviving an Act for Limitation of Officers Fees and for supplying some Defects therein with the following In-dorsement Viz.

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This Bill being read and debated it is remarked that the explanatory Law thereto is omitted to be revived It is thought the Fee proposed to the Sheriff for keeping a Prisoner twenty four Hours in Custody and finding him Victuals is too little Therefore it is recommended that the Sheriff be allowed twenty Pounds of Tob^o p Day for the first Month and 10^{lb} of Tob^o a Day after and that the Sheriff may have Fees from convicted Criminals but that no such Fee be charged to the Counties. Recommended that the Fees likewise to be allowed the Clerk of the Council in Assembly by this Board on private Bills be likewise on Execution with your Clerk's Fees The Penalty of