

L. H. J. The same is sent to the Committee of Laws to be amended accordingly.

The House adjourns till to Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock

Tuesday Morning Seventeenth May 1715

The House met according to Adjournment. Present as on Yesterday.

Then was read the Proceedings of this House on Yesterday

The House taking into Consideration that Part of the Report from the Committee of Aggrievances entered in Yesterday's Proceedings relating to foreign and Inland Traders and shewing the vast Disadvantage the Inland Traders in this Province lye under being obliged to pay the foreign Traders Sterling Money; whereas by the Act for Encouragement of Tillage the Inland Traders are obliged to receive all the Debts due to them in Country Commodities: And a Question being put whether the same be an Aggrievance is Resolved in the Affirmative by Majority of Votes; and for Remedy thereof it is Resolved That a Law obliging all Merchants as well foreign as Inland to take good Merchantable clean Tobacco at one Penny Sterling p Pound and Hemp at 6^d Sterling p Pound in Discharge of all Money Debts due to them either by Contract, Bill, Bond or protested Bill of Exchange or any other Way or Means whatsoever will be of great Advantage to this Province: And therefore it is ordered that the Committee of Laws on revising the Act about Tillage insert a Clause in the said Act obliging all Creditors as well foreign as Inland to accept of Tobacco at one Penny p Pound and good well ordered clean Hemp at six Pence p lb Sterling for all Money Debts due to them by any Way or Means whatever provided that all the Debt be paid in any one of the two said Commodities or either of them.

And the House having considered of that Part of the said Report relating to Negroes gathering together in great Numbers, Resolved That the Law relating to Servants and Slaves sufficiently provides a Remedy for that Inconveniency. And that Part of the said Report relating to the Commissary General's Office being considered is referred to the Committee of Laws, to insert a Clause for remedying the same in the Act for Probat of Wills and granting Administrations. And that Part of the Report relating to levying Fines and suffering Common Recoveries being considered the House resolves the same is an Aggrievance and that introducing such a Practice tends to the Ruin of many in this Province.