L. H. J. last was read the first and second Time in the House of Delegates by especial Order and will pass and so indorsed.

The same is sent to the Honͤble Council by Mͬ Tyler and Mͬ Hudson

They return and say they delivered the Bill.

Capt. James Harris from the Committee of Laws delivers Mͬ Speaker an ingrossed Bill for the better Administration of Justice in the several Courts for Recovery of small Debts and preventing Commissioners and Clerks from pleading as Attorneys and for Amerciaments in the Provincial and County Courts which was ordered to be read in the Afternoon.

Major Roger Woolford from the Committee of Laws delivers Mͬ Speaker a Bill relating to Criminals which was read the first Time and ordered a second Reading in the Afternoon.

Mͬ Foster Turbutt from the Committee of Laws delivers Mͬ Speaker a Bill relating to the Standard &ͭͣ which was read the first and second Time in the House of Delegates by especial Order and will pass and so indorsed.

The same is sent up to the Honͤble Council by Mͬ Tyler and Mͬ Hudson.

They return and say they delivered the Bill

Colᵒ Thomas Addison from the Honͤble Council delivers Mͬ Speaker the following Viz.

<div align="center">Council Chamber 23ᵈ May 1715</div>

Mͬ Speaker,

P. 550　I sent down a Royal Instruction to the House of Delegates on the 16 of this Instant May by Colᵒ Lloyd and Colᵒ Ennalls to which no Answer has been returned   I desire you will offer it to the Consideration of the House whether three Members being returned for each County to serve in the Assembly will not answer the End proposed by the said Instruction.

<div align="right">Jo. Hart</div>

To which the following is prepared in Answer Viz.

<div align="center">By the House of Delegates
May the 23ᵈ 1715</div>

May it please your Excellency,

The one and twentieth Article of the Royal Instructions brought down by Colᵒ Lloyd and Colᵒ Ennalls on the 16ᵗʰ and your Message of this Day by Colᵒ Addison being considered and debated the Matter therein being new we desire the same may be referred to the Consideration of next Sessions of