taking up but instead of the Clause you propose that young L. H. J. stoned Horses running in the Woods be cut before Eighteen Months old or otherwise the Ranger of the County may take them up and after gelding convert them to his own Use, we propose that a Clause be inserted that it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons whatsoever to kill shoot or destroy any p. 569 stoned Horse or Colt of Eighteen Months old or upwards running in the woods or otherwise at his or their Election to take up and geld such Stoned Horse or Colt and use him as his own proper Goods and Chattels till the Proprietor pay such Taker up a Hundred Pounds of Tobacco for his Trouble and pray your Hon's Concurrence

Signed p Order Thos Macnemara Clk Ho. Del.

The same is sent up to the Honble Council by Capt. Mariarte and Mr Harrison

They return and say they delivered the Bill.

The House adjourns till One O'Clock in the Afternoon

## Friday Afternoon

The House met according to Adjournment. Present as in the Morning.

A Bill for the speedy Recovery of small Debts brought down from the Committee of Laws on Yesterday by Major Woolford was read the first Time and committed for Amendments to the Committee of Laws Viz. that the small Debts not exceeding four hundred Pounds of Tobacco or thirty three Shillings and four Pence be recovered as small Debts not exceeding two hundred Pounds Tobacco or sixteen Shillings and Eight Pence were formerly recovered by the Act now in Force and not otherwise if the Debtor is not to be found on the first Warrant the Creditor may sue in the County Court for his Debt any Law, Statute, &<sup>ta</sup>

M' Bordley from the Committee of Laws delivers M' Speaker an ingrossed Bill appointing certain Days on which the several and respective County Courts in this Province are to be held; which was read and assented to by the House of Delegates and ordered to be thus indorsed Viz.

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Read and assented to by the House of Delegates & Signed p Order Thos Macnemara Cl. Ho. Del.

An ingrossed Bill for the ordering and regulating the Militia of this Province and for the better Defence and