

Tuesday 6th May 1766. Present as yesterday.

Lib. J. R.
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Ordered by His Excellency the Governor with the Advice of this Board that the present General Assembly which was this day to have met be further prorogued to Wednesday the 7th day of this Instant and Proclamation issued accordingly.

Wednesday 7th May 1766. Present as yesterday.

Ordered by His Excellency the Governor with the Advice of this Board that the present general Assembly which was this day to have met be further prorogued to Thursday the 8th day of this Instant and Proclamation issued accordingly.

Thursday 8th May 1766. Present as yesterday.

Ordered by his Excellency the Governor with the Advice of this Board that the present general Assembly which was this day to have met be further prorogued to Friday 9th day of this Instant and Proclamation issued accordingly.

At a Council held at the Council Chamber on Monday the 12th day of May in Sixteenth year of his Lordship's Dominion Annoq Domini 1766.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor

The honourable Benjamin Tasker Sam^l Chamberlaine Rich^d Lee, Dan^l Dulany, Jn^o Ridout Cha^s Goldsborough and Henry Hooper Esq^{rs}

Read the Conviction of Negro Beck and the following Letter from Charles Grahame Esq^r relative to the said negro Beck's setting fire to and burning the Tobacco House and Tobacco therein Contained belonging to a certain John Smith of Calvert County Master of the aforesaid Negro. p. 420

Sir

On Sunday last I received your favour of the 26th Ultimo Want of an Opportunity to forward an Answer has till now prevented my Writing. When the Negro Woman belonging to John Smith was Convicted, the Court made what Enquiry they could into her Character. She appeared but little sensible of her Situation at her Trial and after it was over, And the Court directed the representation to his Excellency, which accompanied the Record of her Conviction, her youth and Confession of the Fact appearing to be the only Circumstances in