

And Being Read is Assented to by this & Col Ward Sent to U. H. J. Acquaint the Lower House thereof

The House Adjourns till Afternoon

Post Merediem

The House meett According to Adjournm^t

Present as before noon

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The following Message being Prepared is Ordered to be Sent to the Lower House Viz.

By the uper House of Assembly

June 3^d 1719

Gentl. By your Message of the first Instant you Insist that we Concurr with you in regulating Officers fees as Proposed in your Bill we again Acquaint you that It is Our Opinion that the Proper time for that Affair will be when his L^dship is of Age & is psonally here (as we are Informed he Intends to be) for then we Can Argue the reasonableness of things and whatever is Done will be Lasting. Whereas if any thing be done now it will be Liable to the Exceptions of Interested psons & so our Labours become fruitless, besides we have no reason to hope that his Excy Can Allow of anything that may be [done] at this time from the reasons he gives in Our Message of the first Instant. Original
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Gentl, tho we are of Opinion with you that some Offices are Grievously Burthensome And want a Regulation yet we think it Improper to Eenter upon it at this time for the Reasons abovesaid & therefore Recomend it to Your Serious Consideration to Bring in a Bill to Continue the Act relating to Officers Fees for so short a time rather than by Letting it Drop Involve the Country in Difficultys the Consequence Whereof we are not able to Determine

Signed p Order John Beard Cl uper House

Sent p Col Tilghman who returns and says he Delivered it.

A Supplement to the Act Relating to Servants & Slaves being read the first & Second times by Especial Order and will pass & so Endorsed and sent to the Lower House by Col Ward who Returns & says he Delivered it.

M^r George Dashiell & Thomas Clark with a Bill for securing the Peace of this pvince against the Villianys of imported Convicts

Passed by that House