

L. H. J. English and Indians within this Province only empowered some Particular persons in some Countys (most whereof are dead) to make decision of Controversies arising not exceeding twenty shillings, We think it highly necessary that a Law be made in the nature of the former but that power be thereby given to Each respective Justice of the Peace within this Province to hear and determine all Disputes between the English and Indians not exceeding twenty shill: with which We desire your Concurrence and that a Bill may be brought in Accordingly.

Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup>  
John Beard Cl upp: ho.

Ordered the Committee of Laws Prepare a Bill accordingly  
M<sup>r</sup> Stoddert has the leave of the house to Goe home.

The house adjourns till one a Clock in the Afternoon

Post Meridiem.

The house meet according to Adjournment who being called over Appear as in the Forenoon.

Ordered that the Committee of Laws prepare a Supplementary Bill to the Act for Limitacōn of Officers fees obliging the Severall Officers menconed in that Act to write their Accounts in a fair legible hand and the words at full Length.

On reading the Petition of the Generality of the Freeholders of Cecil County for the removing the Court House of the said County And the Severall Orders of this House relating thereto together with the Sherriff of Cecill County his return of the Voices of the generality of the Freeholders of the same County Leave is given to bring in a Bill as prayed.

Ordered the Committee of Laws prepare a Bill accordingly.

Col<sup>o</sup> Mackall from the Committee of Laws delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker a Bill for quieting differences that may arise between his Lpp's Subjects of this Province & the Severall Nacons of Indians of what Places soever which was read the first Time, and ordered a Second reading to morrow morning.

Col<sup>o</sup> Addison from the upper house delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Message Viz.

By the upper house of Assembly June the 4<sup>th</sup> 1717.

Gent. His Excy having communicated to this house the thirteenth Article of his Lpp's Instruccions to him, Viz<sup>t</sup> Article 13th. Whereas in the Act made Last Sessions of Assembly entituled an Act for the better Security of his Lpp's