

U. H. J. publick for the mischiefs of Confining Servants so long without bringing them to any legall Tryal Evinceth the mistake of the Magistrate or the Innocency of the party Committed for if any Law for Committing them the same Law without doubt makes provision for their punishment But if the President now before us should give Rise to a Law for relief in the like Cases we are apprehensive that the Servants of many the good people of this Province would stand Committed for very Triffling matters and sometimes for nothing at all and generally Subjected to the Complaints of Malicious Neighbours, who may be born away with a design of injuring the Master rather than any design of punishing the Vice of the Offender an Evill which we cannot consent to bring upon the Inhabitants of this Province By passing a Bill of so Extraordinary a Nature may Carry more evill Consequences with it than we at present can be aware of

Signed p Order Geo. Plater Cl. Up. Ho.

Sent down by Philemon Lloyd Esq^r who returns and says he delivered it

A Bill from the Lower House by Captain Crabb and Captain Gale Entituled An Act for Ascertaining the form of the Oath for Judge or Justice thus Endorst viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly Nov^r 2^d 1725.

Read the first and second time by Especial Order and will pass

Signed p Order M. Jenifer Cl. Lo. Ho.

Which being Read was Ordered to be further thus Endorsed viz.

p. 86 By the Upper House of Assembly Nov^r the 2^d 1725

Read and will Pass.

Signed p Order Geo. Plater Cl. Up. Ho.

Sent by Coll^o Tilghman who returns and says he Delivered it

Read the Bill for restraining the ill practice of Attorneys which is Ordered to be thus Endors'd (viz.)

By the Upper House of Assembly Nov^r the 2^d 1725

The ffees in the County Courts as usual and 400^l of Tobacco besides the Provincial ffee for rideing the Circuit and these words (if a Quaker) to be inserted after the word Affirmation