

to the delay of the publick Business, But join your En- L. H. J. deavours to finish this Sessions

Sign'd p Order Geo: Plater Cl. Up: Ho.

On a motion being made the Question was put whether there shall be an alteration in the Law for ascertaining allowances or not.

Carried in the Negative.

The House adjourns till to Morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

Thursday Octo^r the 28th 1725

The House meets according to Adjournment.

Yesterdays proceedings are Read.

A Bill declaring probatts and Acknowledgments &c^a taken before the Magistrates in Annapolis to be Valid, was read the first and second times by Especial Order and past, and was so Endorst, and sent to the Upper House by Vachel Denton and Robert Gordon Esq^s

They Return and Say they delivered it.

John Hall Esq^r from the Upper House delivers M^r Speaker the Bill directing the Disposall of Servants Committed for want of Security for their good behaviour with the following Message viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly

Octo^r the 28th 1725

Gentlemen.

If the two Servants you mention in your Message Yesterday by Cap^t Crabb and Coll^o Belt, were Committed to Goal for any Crimes or Misdemeanours Committed by them, we admire they should Remain there so long and not be brought to a Tryal by which Means they would be found guilty and Recieve Due Punishment or be Acquitted and Return'd to their Masters Service as our Law Relating to Criminal Servants directs, but if they were only Committed upon Suspicion of Misbehaviour, and after having lain so long in Prison no Act tending thereto Can be proved against them, we are of Opinion that they ought to be Releas'd and Return'd to their Masters, who after the Expiration of their Service are obliged by our Act of Assembly for the payment of the Criminall Servants fees to deliver them up for the payment of their fees, or pay their fees for them. If you please to Read the aforesaid Act of Assembly, we believe you will find Sufficient Provision therein made for the present Case, and we