

19. Of all your Proceedings herein, ye are to keep an exact Journal, and the same to Report to the next Session of Assembly of this Province, after your Return. L. H. J.

Signed per Order M Macnemara Ct Lo. Ho.

The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning, at 9 of the Clock.

Thursday Morning, May 31. 1734.

May 31

The House met according to adjournment &c. All appeared as yesterday, except M^r Osborn Sprigg.

M^r Worthington from the Committee of Accounts, delivers M^r Speaker the Journal of Accounts; which was Read and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House by M^r Worthington and Col. Gale.

Col. King delivers M^r Speaker the following Report.

By the Committee appointed to inspect into the Laws, relating to the Militia, of this Province, May 31. 1744

Your Committee having Considered the Laws above mentioned, p. 428 from the time the Government was in the Hands of the Crown to this Day, Report as follows: ffrom the Year 1640 to the year 1715 your Committee find but Little Alteration, save that the last mentioned Act makes some further Provision: ffrom the year 1715 to the year 1732, some further Provision was then made, and chiefly in the Act of 1732; upon which Laws your Committee makes the following Remarks,

1. That Notice given by an officer under the Degree of a Captain, at the Head of his Company, is not available for the Ends proposed by the Law as it now stands; which your Committee Recommends to be done by the Commanding officer

2. That a Summons by any person Capable to make proof thereof, either by leaving a note at the House of the party, or otherwise, Provided such notice be made appear shall be good Evidence to Convict for non-Attendance; which by the Law as it now stands cannot be done

3. That a provision be made to enable the Constable of the Hundred for the Time being, by a Warrant under the Hands of any Two ffeild officers, to compel the Delinquent to Appear, and answer the Complaint of his officer or officers and on hearing and fully Examining into the offence, to give Judgment and Issue Execution, if it be requisite; or otherwise to discharge the party, as shall be most agreeable to the Laws now in fforce, for the better regulating the Militia.

4. That the ffeild-officers be obliged to hold a Court Marshal, at least once in a year, on a Certain Day, at the Court-House of each County.

All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed per Order, Rich^d Burdus Ct. Com.

The House Adjourns until 2 of the Clock in the afternoon