

L. H. J.
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Rules have, by his Majesty and his Royal Ancestors, and also by his Lordship and his Noble Ancestors, or some of them, been hitherto approved, by having the Commissions of Judicature, to include Directions of that Nature to the several judicial Magistrates; unless those Words have at any Time been carefully or carelessly omitted by the Officers in this Province, that drew such Commissions.

Resolved, That the Levying and Taking the Sum of Twelve Pence Sterling per Hogshead, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province, on all Tobacco exported out of the same, under Pretence and Colour of the Act of 1704, is not warranted by Law.

Resolved, *Nemine Contradicente*, That if the above Act of 1704 had been in Force from the Restoration of the Government by the Crown to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, to this Time; yet, the Sum of Three Pence Sterling, Part of the said Twelve Pence Sterling, agreeable to the plain Construction of the above-mentioned Act of 1704, and her late Majesty Queen Anne's Instructions to her Governor here when the said Act was in Force, ought to be applied towards the purchasing of Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of this Province.

Resolved, That the Hours of Sitting, for Dispatch of Public Business, be from Nine of the Clock until Twelve; and from Two of the Clock Afternoon until Five.

Ordered, That Mr. Sothoron do acquaint the Reverend Mr. Cain [*Samuel Keene*], That he is desired by this House to Read Divine Service, at a Quarter before Nine in the Morning, and at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, during this Session.

Ordered, That an Address be prepared, to be presented to his Excellency on his Speech; and that Mr. John Hall, Mr. Edward Tilghman, Mr. Charles Goldsborough, Mr. Hayward, Mr. Dulany, Mr. James Tilghman, and Mr. Robert Lloyd, do prepare and bring in the same.

The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning 9 of the Clock.

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Thursday, March 18, 1762.

The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday. The Proceedings were Read.

On Motion, Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Deputy Secretary of this Province forthwith to make out a Writ of Election, directed to the Sheriff of Cæcil County, to Elect a Delegate to serve in the General Assembly of this Province, now Sitting, in the Room of Mr. Francis Mauldin, deceased.