

L. H. J.
Liber No. 54
Oct. 19

The Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the several Papers communicated by his Excellency being read Ordered, That Lord Botetourt's Letter be read and the same was read accordingly

Upon reading the Order of the Day relative to that Part of the Governor's Speech recommending to this Province to join the Colony of Virginia in erecting and supporting a Light House upon Cape Henry the Matter was taken into Consideration and the House came to the following Resolutions

Resolved, That the erecting and supporting a Light House upon Cape Henry will be of great Utility in securing the Trade of the Colony of Virginia and of this Province

Resolved, That whenever this House shall be informed of any Plan proposed by the Colony of Virginia for such Building and an Estimate of the Expence thereof they will take such Plan and Estimate into Consideration and join the said Colony in erecting and supporting such Building so far as it may be judged reasonable for this Province to concur therein

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House of Burgesses of Virginia be requested to inform this House of the exact Quantity of the Tonnage of all Vessels as well Country Bottoms as others entring and trading into the several Ports and Places within that Colony from any other Colony or Place except this Province and that the Governor be addressed to order to be laid before this House an exact Account of the Quantity of Tonnage of all Vessels as well Country Bottoms as others entering and trading into this Province from any Colony or Place other than Virginia that the same may be transmitted to the House of Burgesses of that Colony

Ordered, That M.^r Speaker inclose a Copy of these Resolutions to the Speaker of the House of Burgesses of Virginia and request him to lay the same before that House at their next Meeting

George Steuart Esq from the Upper House delivers to M.^r Speaker the Petition of Nehemiah Tilghman and Solomon Townsend, and the Petition of Isaac Murray together with several other Papers—Which were ordered to lie on the Table

M.^r Gale hath Leave of Absence

p. 111 Ordered, That the several Papers communicated by his Excellency relative to Indian Affairs be read; and the same were read accordingly

Upon reading the Papers relative to Indian Affairs laid before this House by the Governor at the Opening of this Session the same were taken into Consideration and the House came to the following Resolution

Resolved, That this House not having received a direct Notification of his Majesty's gracious Intentions to commit the Regulation and Management of the Indian Trade to the Colonies and judging