

L. H. J. defaced than heretofore, from frequent using the same, and in a
 Liber No. 54 very short Time, unless Copied at the Expence of the Public or the
 Dec. 19 Judges, your Committee fear said Alphabet will become quite un-
 intelligible in many Parts thereof, to the great Injury and Loss of
 many of the Inhabitants of this Province.

Your Committee find that the Treasurers Accounts in the Assembly Office have not been recorded since the Year Seventeen Hundred and Sixty. Your Committee also find divers old Books in the Commissarys Office in very bad Condition, the Binding torn off, and several Half Sheets loose. And that many Books which contain Wills and Inventories prior to the Year Seventeen hundred and Sixty four, do not appear to be examined, and are very incorrect agreeable to former Reports. And that a Bundle of Accounts exhibited in Seventeen Hundred and Fifty nine, and Seventeen Hundred and Sixty, is not recorded

p. 47 Your Committee must observe, that the Books and Papers in this Office appear to be well taken Care of. And your Committee beg Leave to inform your honorable House, that having had Information that a Record in the Land Office, of a Tract of Land, called Marshalls Addition, granted unto a certain Isaac Marshall, of Worcester County, had been altered, immediately made Enquiry into the Matter, and found that such Information was true, being told by a young Lad named John Callahan, who writes in said Office, and who made such Alteration, that a certain James Rounds, a Deputy Surveyor of Worcester County, some Time in the Month of October last, came to the Office and got him to show him the Record of said Land; that the said James Rounds, after looking at said Record, told him the said Callahan, that there was a Mistake in the First Course of the Land, and desired he, the said Callahan, would alter it so as to make it agree with what the said Rounds called his Field Book, which, the said Callahan says, he at First refused, thinking it wrong, but by turning to the original Certificate in the Office, and finding the First Course upon the Plat agreeing with the Alteration proposed by the said Rounds, he was induced to believe there might be a Mistake, and did, after much Solicitation and Persuasion of him the said Rounds, alter the said Record; for doing which, the said Rounds gave him Five Dollars. A List of Books in the said Offices is hereunto annexed. All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Honorable House.

Signed p Order Ralph Dobinson Cl: Com

Which Report was read, and referred to the Consideration of the next Session of Assembly.

A List of Record Books now being in, and belonging to the Commissarys Office taken this Day of