

Which answer was sent to the Lower House by Mr Brooke
The House Adjourned till nine of the Clock to Morrow Morning

Tuesday 24th April 1666

At nine of the Clock the House met Present as before except the Govern^r
Upon the act for hog Stealers returned by the Lower house was Indorsed

viz. The Lower House have taken into Consideration the last answer of
The Upper House to this act concerning Hogstealers do judge that double
Damages will not be so proper as a certain fine & further desires the
Upper House their Consideration further thereupon, & to signify their
full Determination in Concurrence therewith or otherwise
W^m Britton Clk.

To which was answered

The Upper House sees no cause to recede from their former judgment viz.
That damages is more proper & agreeable to Law, to annex with corporal
Punishment than fines. And the Certainty lies in the quantity of
Hogs found out & not either in the fines or Damages f. y.

Then was read the Act for building a Prison at St Marys & sent
to the Lower house

The House Adjourned till one of the Clock

The House met again Present as before

Then was sent an Act Entituled an Act for the Advanc^e of other Com-
modities more staple than Tob^o An Act for Encouragem^t of Trade
subscribed. The Lower House are desired to debate this Act & to
signify their Concurrence or otherwise their Reasons why they can-
not Consent f. y.

An Act for the Clerk's Fees & Allowance for Jurors in civil Causes
passed both Houses

Then came a Member from the Lower House with an Answer in
writing to the Message sent by the Upper House yesterday concern-
ing the appointing the day of Sessions & is as followeth viz.

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Upon an answer from the Upper House last night sent to this House
in answer to the request concerning the day of Sessions they are satis-
fied as to the former part of that answer that the Lord Proprietary
or his Lieuten^t have only power for the appointing the day of Sessions
but were not advised ther^e of the Lieuten^t Generalls absence as to the
other part as touching the Upper Houses desire that this House would
take into their Consideration the deplorable Estate of this Province as
relating to the Trade of Tobacco, although this House not long after
the first Convention had taken the Consideration thereof upon a full
& long debate voted unnecessary that a Reputation be imposed upon this
Province but that every man be left to his Liberty which Vote was
granted upon great Deliberation yet that We may not appear otherwise