

of this house appointed for the Committee of Accounts are ready —  
 He is answered the Law for Regulating the Militia &c. is now drawn  
 up and shall be read first in this house —

A Message from the Lower house by Mr. Flatten and Mr. Waterton  
 being for the return of S<sup>t</sup>. Maries County Writ, which is Delivered them,  
 and they return — Coll: Stevens Enters —

The Law for Ordering the Militia read and pass'd this house —  
 Coll: Coursey and Coll: Stevens go to the Committee of Accounts Mr.  
 Rousby and Captain Sibrey comes from the Lower house with Lefliers papers  
 and desire to see the Contract between Governor Notely and Mr. Leflier —  
 upon Coll: Courseys Negotiation —

This house knows nothing of it they return.

Mr. Rousby, Captain Smith, and Mr. Hynson come from the Lower  
 house and desire the Answer of this house to the Severall Bills sent up  
 which this house promised should be this Day done —

Answered that if the Lower house will call in their Committee  
 and send up the Members of their house appointed for a Committee to  
 Draw up a Law for Defence of the Province, this house after they had  
 done with that would proceed to the reading the other Bills and remitt  
 them down to the Lower house with the Opinion of this house thereon.

They return —

The Vote of a Member of this house September the 9<sup>th</sup> for 57 concerning  
 Women Servants to become Sagables again Moved and Voted that the same be  
 sent to the Lower house &c. —

Upper house September the 12<sup>th</sup> 1681

Whereas Divers and very Many the House keepers Inhabiting with:  
 in this Province do frequently Purchase Women Servants and employ  
 them to work in the Ground on purpose to be exempted from paying Levys  
 by which Means the Levys are more Burdensome to the Province in Generall  
 than otherwise they would be, this house do therefore desire the Lower  
 House to Prepare a Law providing that all Women Servants working  
 in the Ground for the future shall be accounted and taken for Sagables  
 within this Province —

Signed & Order of John Lovellin C<sup>t</sup> of Assembly —

Mr. Cheseldyne and Mr. Hill from the Lower house desire the Answer  
 of this house to their Bills, which have been some eleven Days in this  
 House, When the Members from the Committee to make up a full house this  
 house will read them —

The Act for preventing Vegetious Suits at Law, thus underwritten &c. —

This house desire the concurrence of the Upper house —

Signed & Order of Robert Hays C<sup>t</sup> of the Lower house of Assembly  
 Which Act was also thus Indorsed &c. —

Upper house September the 22<sup>th</sup> 1681 —