

This house have already appointed a Committee of Laws who are Just now going out upon their Charge and have Orders to Inspect the severall Laws of this Province made against the severall Crimes mentioned in the first part of the Honourable Presidents Speech and if their shall be found either by report of the Committee or any Member of this house that the same Laws be not Strict enough to punish the said Crimes Effectually then this house will be ready to Join some Members of this house with the Upper house to Amend the same as is desired by their last Message

Signed P. Order William Dent (of the Lower house)

Mr. Round & Mr. Lingan from the Lower house and desire the Statutes at large which were brought hither by Mr. Full at the request of the President the same immediately Delivered to Mr. Round

Mr. Harris and Mr. Dare from the Lower house with the following Message Viz.

Lower house 21 November 1688.

The last Sessions of asembly in 1686 a certain Bill Entituled an Act for Securing the Real Estates of Orphans was read three times in the Lower house Assented to and Transmitted to the Upper house for their Assent; To which the Upper house returned Answer by a Message of the 17th of November 1686, That the said Bill was well designed but not so effectually and well worded in the Opinion of this house as it ought to be besides being Matter of great Import required more time to Consider of, than could then be afforded and therefore was recommended to the Consideration of the Next Assembly but the Upper house did not then return the said Bill again to this house Therefore the Upper house is humbly desired now to return the same the Substance of it being of great Moment and worthy of Consideration in the Opinion of this house That so a Bill may be drawn for that Purpose

Signed P. Order William Dent (of the Lower house)

The honourable Coll Bye goes to the Lower house with the Message following also he is to acquaint them that the President and Coll Darnall desires the Copy of their Letter to the Commissioners of Dorchester County

The Message Upper house of Assembly 21 Nov. 1688

In Answer to the last Message of Mr. Harris and Mr. Dare relating to the Bill for Securing the real Estates of Orphans this house do say That they have sent for the Clerk of that Assembly in Order to get the said Bill which shall be sent to the Lower house so soon as they can procure the same

Signed P. Order Tho. Gurnwin (of Assembly)

The said Coll Bye returns and says he has delivered his Message both Verball and Litterall and the Lower house will send the Copy required

Doctor Brooke from the Lower house and brings the Copy of the Letter about Mr. Clarke sent to Commissioners of Dorchester County

Mr. Jewell in the late Clerk of Assembly being sent for appeared in this house, and the Bill past in the Lower house concerning the Securing the real Estates of Orphans being asked of him he goes out and brings the same into this house, the same sent down to the Lower house by Mr. Clement Hill and with this Message