

An Act against Hogstealers & May the 21 read 2^d time

An Act Securing Merchants & others Tobacco, &c. May 21 read 2^d time

An Act for Marking high ways &c. May 21st read 2^d time

An Act Prohibiting arrests on Sabbath Days &c. May 21st read 2^d time

An Act against Burners of Fences May 21 read 2^d time

An Act Concerning the height of Fences May 21 read 2^d time

An Act declaring what shall be done by Sheriff ex officio May 21 read 2^d time

Thomas Courtney of St. Maries County being Summoned and ordered to appear here before this Board upon our Information and Complaint made by his Malatto Girl against him for having Maimed and dismembered her by cutting of both her ears close to her head, accordingly came and made his appearance: being charged therewith he confessed that being several times urged and provoked by the many Villanous actions of the said Servant in Theiving & frequent running away &c. without any hopes of Amendment he was forced at last to use that Severity towards her in order to reclaim her, thinking that as his Slave, he might do with her as he pleased; He is Ordered a while to withdraw

M^r. Dent from the house came to desire this Board to remitt what Bills lay before them to the house, for that their Clerks were now ready to go about Engrossing the same

Proceed to reading the said Bills viz^t

The Act for Preservation of severall Harbours &c. read here the third time (Remark) the Terminative part (if any to be) being by reason of the Obliteration rendered Imperfect wants Amendment —

The Act for Limitation of Actions &c. read here 2^d time

The Act against Hogstealers &c. read 2^d time here & referred to further Consideration

The Act relating to Seizure of Tobacco by the Sheriff read here 2^d time

The Act for Securing Merchants & others Tobacco, &c. read here 2^d time

The Act for marking high ways &c. read here 2^d time (Remark) there ought to be a fine imposed upon the Overseers for their Neglect as well as upon the Commissioners and the Labourers by them appointed for any Defect in them. —

The Act Prohibiting arrests on the Sabbath Days &c. read here 2^d time

The Act Declaring what shall be done by the Sheriffs ex officio read 2^d time

The Act against Burners of Fences; read here the 2^d time

The Act Concerning the height of Fences: read here the 2^d time —

The Speaker and other the members of the house attend the Board in Conference & proceed to the same in relation to the severall Bills offered by them this Session viz^t

The Act for Recognition = They agree to the Amendment desired —

The Act against Hogstealers &c. Referring to another Act, they say that Act is now revised to the Penalty Ascertained, but they are desired to Consider of Some other Penalty, than (as) as not Sutting with his Excellency's Instructions to inflict any such Punishment upon the Laws of England, and therefore propose Servitude or other Penalty more Suitable they will consider of, and as the Onus Probandi do lye upon the Party with whom they are willing the Party Accused or Suspected should be put to prove where he is

The Act for Enrollment of Norwayans &c. as to the fees therein Mentioned &c. they say the Board to be Vested in the Governor and Council to Ascertain; They say