

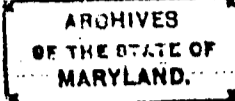
The house Adjourn Till To Morrow Morning seven a Clock.

Wednesday April 23rd 1684.

The house mett, and called, all present as Yesterday.

Then was read what was done Yesterday.

Then Capt. Osborne gave account to this house that ^{the} Upper House was adjourned soe that he could not deliver ^{the} Message sent by him and Mr. Haisly last night.



Ordered that ^{the} Sayd Capt. Osborne and Mr. Green goe againe with the same. They returne and say they have delivered it.

Then was read a Bill Entituled an act Impowering the Burgesses to preps. men Boates &c. for their more Speed and Convenience in coming to future assemblies.

Then came Mr. Clement Hill from ^{the} Comm^{tee} of ^{the} Asse^{mbly} and desire to have a copy of ^{the} Rates and prizes of liquors settled by this meeting of Assembly which is given to him, he alsoe desires the opinion of this house concerning a petition of George Robbins, who prays allowance for a boat and hands and himselfe upon a publique Message to his Top^{ps}.

Voted to be allowed 1200 pounds of Tobacco.

There alsoe prays ^{the} Opinion of this house concerning a petition of James Benfone, who prays allowance for curing an Indian, by Order of Coll^o. Loyd. Voted he be allowed one thousand pounds of Tobacco.

(Which being Endorsed upon ^{the} petition he returned.

Then came Mr. Attorney Generall and Mr. Rowley and present the ^{said} Paper (viz.) Lower house of Assembly April 23rd 1684.

In answer to ^{the} Message yesterday brought by Coll^o. Burgess and Mas^r. Sewell concerning severall bills sent by this house to ^{the} upper house for their assent. As to ^{the} bill Asserting ^{the} true force and Validity of the Lawes of this Province wherein the upper house were pleased to say they could not in reason preps. less time, then three years for his Top^{ps} to consider of his approbation or disassent to such perpetuall Lawes as should be presented to his Top^{ps}.

This house is not a little surprized therein in regard ^{the} bill tendered by this house for ^{the} assent of ^{the} upper house, is but a meeⁿ transcript of ^{the} like bill sent from ^{the} upper house for this houses assent thereto.

To which this house had noe reason to doubt of the upper houses readiness to pass the same especially for that the sayd upper house of Assembly by a Message of ^{the} 17th of September 1681. were pleased to acquaint this house that his Top^{ps} Commanded the upper house to signify to this house that his Top^{ps} did promise and engage that in his absence out of this Province within eighteen Months after the passing of any Lawes of this Province, by ^{the} upper and lower houses of Assembly, his Top^{ps} would signify his assent or disassent Thereunto. In Conference whereof this house was induc'd, freely to offer ^{the} said Bill for ^{the} unquestionable assent of ^{the} upper house, since more time