

Treasury what the said Revenue amounted to in Governor Copleys time.

Major Hammond, Major Doyse, Capt. Hill and Mr. Saunders, appointed to state the said account and make report thereof, to the Lords of the Treasury.

His Exc<sup>y</sup>. desiring the Opinion of the House what Orders shall be made which might most conduce to his Mats Service in relation to the sailing of the Shipping which shall be or stay in the County after the Fleet is gone.

It is the Opinion of this House that it will be for their Mats Service, that the Shipping which stay or come into this Province after the present Sepions, shall be cleared as fast as filled, as his Exc<sup>y</sup> shall think fitt.

The following acts being read, and assented to by this House, was sent up to his Exc<sup>y</sup>. and then Mats Honble Councille, by Major Smith, Mr. Saunders and Mr. Lowe.

An additional act to the act of Religion.

An act for securing Adm<sup>rs</sup> and Exc<sup>rs</sup> from double paying of Debts, and Limiting the time for payment of obligations within this Province.

An additional act to the act for better Administration of Justice in the Court for Probate of Wills &c.

An act for Regulating Ordinaries and Limiting the number of them.

An act restraining the frequent assembling of Negroes.

An act for Laying an Imposition on Negroes and Servants imported.

An act for Raising a Supply for the defraying of the publique Charge of this Province.

The House adjourned for an hour.

Post Meridiam.

The House again met and Mr. Speaker, signifying to them that his Exc<sup>y</sup>. recommended the gratifying the Honble Mr. Blathway Esq. and John Povey Esq. and to that end offered to advance 200<sup>l</sup>. Sterl. upon the publique Faith.

Ordered the following Message be sent to his Exc<sup>y</sup>. the Governour and the Honble. their Mats<sup>y</sup>. Councille.

To his Exc<sup>y</sup>. the Governour and Councille.

By the house of Burgesses May the 22<sup>d</sup>. 1695.

This house having well considered of your Exc<sup>y</sup>. proposall touching the gratifying the Honble Esq. Blathway, and Mr. Povey do returne your Exc<sup>y</sup>. hearty thanks for your generous offer, but find our selves altogether incapable at this tyme to gratify the aforesaid Gentlemen being at present willing to gratifye all such obligations as this Province now lies under.

Signed by Order.

W. Bladen Clk. Assembly.