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ready before ye permitted to Saile as got ready unless
ye that tyme, who are then to stay for ye
to by ye House.

That ye Tobaccoe collected for building a Church at Annapolis, ^{by} sold for
Bills of Exchange on goods, and some persons empowered to sell ye same
as sent to by ye House.

House adjourned till to Morrow Morning at 6 of the Clock.

Wednesday May ye 13th 1696.

House mett - and upon calling over ye following Members were
absent - vizt. Mr. Matton, Major Smallwood, Mr. Robert Smith, Mr.
Seabrough, Col. Herman and Col. Coode.

The Method and way how to pay ye Clarke of ye Vestry and
Parish, referred to ye next Sessions of Assembly.

Diana Nuthead her petition read - whereupon this House is
willing she should have leave to print if his Exc^{ty} please.

The House is adjourned untill 12 of the Clock.

The House mett again - and the petition of severall Merchants
Relating to ye Act of 10th sent on European goods exported referred from
this (Maj^{ty} Hon^{ble} Council to this House being read.

put to ye Question and Resolved the said Act was never intended
to extend to Virginia.

The Following Bills, vizt. -

A Bill for Speedy Justice and Encouragement of Trade.

A Bill appointing the Com^{rs} of ye County of ye Vestry to returne a Copy
of their County Levy and ye Vestrys Proceedings yearly to ye Gov^{ty} Council.

A Bill to prevent people driving away Horses in the woods.

A Bill for Reviving the Temporary Lawes of this Province.

A Bill for opening of 3rd of the upon toll^s towards the defraying of the
publique Charges of this Province.

A Bill for ye Naturalization of John Edgaw of Somerset County.

A Bill for laying an Imposition on Negroes, Slaves and White Servants Imported.

A Bill empowering the Com^{rs} of Kent County to purchase three Acres of Land
whereon to build a Court house. and a Bill for Laying ye publique Levy.

being all as sent to by ye House were sent up to his Maj^{ty} Hon^{ble} Council
by Major Dorsey and severall other Members of ye House.

Mr. George Layfield his petition Read and referred to ye Committee
for Laying ye publique Levy in Oct^r next. for allowance thereof.

Mr. Robert Mason, Chairman of ye Committee of Accounts, presents
ye Journall of ye said Committee which is here examined and allowed
of.

Mr. Edward Boothby and Major John Thompson sent to his Exc^{ty} the
Gov^{ty} to acquaint him this House is ready to attend his Exc^{ty} when he shall +