

their debts as a<sup>st</sup>. where no small Estate is found to answer the same. Also it would induce Merch<sup>ts</sup> and other Traders to give more credit to the Freeholders upon that Security when their Lands are liable to answer upon default of assets in their Eves or adm<sup>r</sup>s hands the good effect whereof is daily Experienc<sup>d</sup> in Pennsylvania.

Signed by Order

W. Bladen Clk: Council.

The Consideration of the a<sup>fo</sup> proposall is refered until the next Session of Assembly.

A Bill for regulating Marriages and Granting Marriage Licenses within this Province, read the first time, and refered to the Committee of Laws to inspect and make Report what they shall think fit to be amended therein.

A Bill for the advancement of Learning and promotion of his Majesty's Schools of Maryland read the first time and refered as before.

Mr. Edward Lloyd and Mr. Simon Willmore bring in the two addresses

Ordered by them to be drawne up, Ordered the same be read.

Ordered that the two addresses be amended and that Mr. Edward Lloyd and Mr. Willmore amend the same, and bring them in to morrow.

A Bill for ascertaining the bounds of a certaine Tract of Land belonging to the Nantecoake Indians, read the 2<sup>d</sup> time.

Put to the vote if the said Bill should pass - Carried in the affirmative.

Put to the vote if the bill for settling the bounds of Land being read should be read the second time, or refered to the next Session of Assembly.

Carried for refering to the next Session of Assembly.

Resolved that the said bill and the Examples be lodged in the Assembly office, and be Considered of the first business the next Session.

The Bill for the Conveying L<sup>ts</sup> refered from the Council for Amend<sup>t</sup>: was refered to the Committee of Laws for Amend<sup>t</sup>:.

The Bill a<sup>g</sup>: Curseing and Swearing &c. refered as a<sup>fo</sup>.

The Bill a<sup>g</sup>: for privateers and pirates being refered from his Majesty's Council for Amend<sup>t</sup>: this house say they cannot Consent to the altering thereof.

The Bill relating to the Cocks Springs, being in like manner refered, this house does Consent for two of the Council and more Trustees be inserted but for further provision for Entertainment of the poor, it is refered to the next Session of Assembly.

The Bill Improving the Vestymen<sup>t</sup> - refered to the Committee to amend as required. Mr. J<sup>r</sup>. Crauford having us<sup>g</sup>: occasion has Liberty to go home.

The house adjourns till to morrow Morning Eight of Clock.

Dies Martij Nov<sup>br</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1698.

The house met againe, and were absent, Mr. Philip Clarke, Mr.