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Athman be appointed to joine in a Conference with Some of his
Maj^{ty} Honble Councille concerning Maj^r Dorseys Answer.

By the House of Delegates July 3^o 1699.

The House humbly pray your Ex^{ty} to appoint Some of the Gent. of this
Maj^{ty} Councille to confer with Some of the Members of this House
concerning the busines of Major Dorsej and that they will appoint the
time and place and the Gents herewith Sent will attend upon them.

Signed by Orders.

Chr Gregory Clk. House Del.

Ordered that Mr James Saunders, Mr Jacob Morelands and Mr
George Athman Carry the Sayd Message.

Read Mr Chew and Companys Petition concerning Negroes which
was Granted.

The Committee appointed to confer with his Maj^{ty} Councille in Relation
to the Church and free Schoole. Enter the House there.

Report is referd till to Morrow Morning.

The House adjourns till to Morrow Morning.

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The House mett againe and were Called ones, and Maj^r Walter Smith
againe appeared.

Read the Bill Explaining the first time and

Ordered to be read againe on Thursday Morning.

Read the Report of the Committee for considering the building of the
Church and free Schoole.

Ordered that they goe out againe upon the same Committee and
inquire what Money has been paid to Maj^r Dorsej and on what account.

Read the Report of the Committee for inspecting the Law concerning
the Surveying of Lands.

Ordered that they goe out and further Consider thereof.

Proposed that a message be sent to his Ex^{ty} for to request his Ex^{ty} to
Grant a Commission of Oyer and Terminer for the Tryall of two Criminals
which are in Prison for Murder. Carried in the Affirmative.

By the House of Delegates July 4th 1699.

Whereas it is Represented to this House that there is now in the Custody
of the Sheriff of Ann Arundell County a Certain Malefactor Comited
for the Crying and horrid Sin of Murder and another in the Custody
of the Sheriff of Saint Maryes County for Comitting of a Nother Murder
and that to keep and maintain the said Prisoners in the said Prisons
untill the next Provinciall Court will be a great Charge and burthen
to the Province and for as much as there is as well severall of his Maj^{ty}
Justices of the Provinciall Court and his Maj^{ty} Atty. Gen^l now in Towne
whereby the said Criminals may be brought to speedy and condigne #