

The Petition of Robert Givair and Mary his wife one of the Daughters of Edward Day late of Somerset County deceased praying Relief in a Legacy given by her Father's will lost, which being read the House refer the same to consideration of next Session of Assembly; and ordered that Notice be given to all Persons concerned to attend the House at that Time to prosecute the Petition.

Pursuant to the Order of this House appeared Mrs Deborah Ridgely to make her Objections against a Bill of George Harris: and the said Mrs Ridgely informed the House that her Father will be here this Night who is assistant to her in all her Affairs. Therefore prayed the same may be further referred till the Morning which was granted by the House and she withdrew Bill preventing the Sin of Fornication. Indorsed.

Ordered Mr James Hay and Mr Peter Watts carry it up to his Excellency and Council for their Concurrence. They return & say they delivered the Bill

James Saunders Esq; from the Honble Council enters the House & delivers Mr Speaker Bill for preventing the Sin of Fornication. Indorsed. April 11th 1706.

By the Council in Assembly Read the first Time. Mr Claden R. C.

Mr Edward Blay, Mr Robert Shimmer, Mr John Leach, & Mr John Jones, Mr William Watts, and Mr Peter Watts, view the work of rebuilding the Great House and make Report to the House in what Condition the same is and if the work be done in workmanlike manner.

Bill for preventing the Sin of Fornication read the second Time, do pass.

Brought into the House a Petition of the Roman Catholics: which was ordered to be entered as follows.

To the Honble the House of Assembly now sitting. The humble Petition of the Roman Catholics hereto subscribing on Behalf of themselves and the rest of the Roman Catholics of this Province, sheweth That upon Application heretofore made by the said Roman Catholics to this Honble House for Repeal of an Act entitled an Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery in this ~~Province~~ ^{Province} whereby the Toleration and Freedom of Conscience allowed here since the first settling this Plantation was unfinged the House moved by a Christian Temper and out of their commendable Inclination to Moderation suspended by another Act the Execution of the former for Eighteen Months or until the Queens Pleasure were further known. That the said Eighteen Months are now near expired and the Queens Pleasure not yet signified being deferred as may be rationally supposed by her Majesty being at this juncture intent upon the consideration and settlement of more weighty Affairs and Opportunities of hearing out of England offering but seldom in this Year Time: Wherefore they most humbly pray that this Honble House would be pleased further to suspend the Execution of the said Act until her Majesty's Pleasure be declared thereon without limitation of any set Time lest that in the Interval of Assemblies such Time may expire and thereby your Petitioners liable to be disturbed contrary to the Intention of the House and they will pray. Henry Darnall, Charles Carroll, Richard Bennett, James Carrall,

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