

to the Sheriffs And altho' the Wisdom of the Kingdom of England never thought
 meet to make such an Act there being many Markets and many Buyow yet we know
 several Acts of the like Nature to this in the English Plantations and why this Province
 should be denied the Liberty that others are allowed we know not unless it be to satisfy
 the covetous Desires of a few Men of Credit and Mercenary Officers and to bring
 the Commonality into Poverty and Slavery out of which we have and hope always
 shall endeavour to keep them tho' at present it's not in our Power hardly obtaining
 any Thing that tends thereto

Signed J^r Order Rich^d Dallam S^r Ho^r Del^s
 Supplementary Act to the Act for Probate of Wills &c Read the first and second
 Times by special Order and will pass

Sent up with this aforesaid Message to the Hon^{ble} Council by Mr. John Mather,
 Mr. James Mather, Mr. John Broome, Capt. Jones, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Brooks
 and Mr. Lagott. They return and say they delivered their Message and Bill
 Resolved the said Act about Sheriffs executing Writs of fieri facias be referred
 for further consideration next Session of Assembly

The Hon^{ble} Col^l Greenfield and Col^l Addison enter the House and deliver Mr. Speaker
 the following Message. By the Council in Assembly Nov. 16th 1712

Gent^l. In answer to your Message desiring to know our Sentiments whether
 it might be for the Good of the Province to move his Ex^{ty} the 2^d Copy to accept
 of his Rents in Tobacco at two Pence of Pound upon the same Condition for his
 Succession as it now stands with his Lordship we shall not take upon us to
 prescribe Rules to your House but as you more immediately represent the
 People if you think it advisable to write to his Lordship to know his Inclina-
 tions upon what Terms he will be pleased to settle the Rents for himself
 his Heirs and Successors you may use your Discretion Signed J^r Order
 W^m Bladen S^r Council

Engrossed Bill relieving the Inhabitants from some Aggravances they lie
 under in Prosecution of Suits in Law

Engrossed Bill restraining the Inhabitants from selling great Quantities of Liquors
 to the Indians &c

Engrossed Bill being a Supplement to the Act for Punishment of Adultery and
 Fornication &c All these three engrossed Bills Read and severally indorsed
 14th Nov. 1712 Read and assented to by the House of Delegates and

Signed J^r Order Rich^d Dallam S^r Ho^r Del^s
 Sent up to the Hon^{ble} Council by Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Broome, Mr. Trigg and Mr. Pearce
 They return and say they delivered the Bills

Col^l Addison and John Darby Esq. enter the House and deliver Mr. Speaker the aforesaid
 three engrossed Bills sent up this Day severally indorsed Nov. 16th 1712 Read and assented
 to by her Majesty's Hon^{ble} Council in Assembly and signed J^r Order W^m Bladen S^r Council
 The House proceeds to tax the fees for private Bills past this Session viz