

On reading the Petition of Adam Bell praying relief as John Rowley Esq. on Patent of Invention on Edward Black Lanthorn was read and rejected *Memine Concludente*.

The House adjourns till one a clock in the afternoon.
Post meridiem, The House met according to adjournment: who being called over are present as in the forenoon.

Mayr. Willson has the leave of this House to go home on urgent occasion on his promise to return again by Tuesday next.

Ordered that the Committee of Laws prepare a supplementary Bill to the act relating to servants and slaves to prevent the Inconvenience of Negroes and Slaves being Evidences.

On reading the Message prepared by Mr. Tyles, Mr. Greenfield and Capt. Colgate relating to Ordinary Licences the same is referred till Monday next for further Consideration.

On reading the Petition of Richard Manning, Praying relief as Eliz. Travers for the suppressing a fraudulent Will and off allegations of both Parties being heard by their Council at the Bar of this House. The Question was put whether a Bill should be Brought in as prayed.

Resolved in the Negative by the Majority of votes.

Cott. Tilghman from the Upper House delivers Mr. Speaker, the following Message (Printed)

Gentl^s / By his Ex^{ty} the Gov^r. June 1st 1718

The Reasons assigned by their Ex^{ty} for Disaffirming to the Laws which lay 4th poll on Irish Servants are that it tend to the excluding his Majesty's Protestant Subjects from settling in this Province and is a discouragement to the People of it is by the advice of Council dangerous to his Lordship's Charters which is hoped will give satisfaction to your house.

Signed by Order John Bradford Esq. House

The Question being putt whether a new Bill shall be brought in laying an additional duty on Negroes & Irish Papists that shall be imported into this Province.

Resolved in the Affirmative by Majority of votes.

The Question being putt wth additional duty shall be laid upon them.

Resolved Twenty Thirt. Yers. by the Majority of votes.

Ordered, The Com^t of Laws prepare a Bill accordingly.

The House adjourns till Monday Morning Eight a Clock.

Monday Morning June 3rd 1717.

The House mett according to adjournment, who being called over appear as on Saturday except, Mayr. Willson, Capt. Mainwate Capt. John Bradford and Cott. Hawkins who is excused by reason of his sickness.