

Signe a P. Order Rachel Newton Clerk Comitia
With which the House concurs and Leave is given to bring in a Bill
as prayed - The House adjourns till to Morrow Morning
Nine of the Clock

Friday October the 19th 1722 The House meets according
to adjournment. Yesterdays proceedings are read

On Reading the Report of the Comitia of Aggrievances returned
on Wednesday Last the first Aggrievance is rejected - as to the second
Aggrievance relating to Amerciements - Resolved that the same
is an Aggrievance and that the Act for Amerciements be amended
or Explained - and that the Comitia of Law prepare a Bill accord-
-ingly - as to the third Aggrievance It is the Opinion of this House
that the Common Law sufficiently provides against it

Coll. Ward and John Rousby Esq. from the Upper House delivers
Mr. Speaker the Bill for Encouragement of Tillage &c with the
following Message viz

By the Upper House of Assembly Oct. the 19th 1722
Gent. On Reading your Message of yesterday by Mr. Tyler and
seven others and the reasons referred to in your former Message
relating to the bill for Encouragement of Tillage &c we are still
of Opinion that Officers ought not to be comprehended within
that Law, for that their circumstances are very different from
Other Creditors &c

1^o In Regard that the fees of the Secretary Comunitary &c become
due in all parts of this province and many of them in very
small parcels, so that should they be paid in the Commodities mentioned
in the bill no person would take the trouble to collect them if they
might have it for their pains

2^o Officers are obliged to credit all persons who apply to them
and have not the Liberty of Choosing who they will credit and where,
as other Creditors have and

3^o When such fees are received in small parcels as many of them
must necessarily be, the Officers had better let them lay and
perish (which they would in a short time) than be at the Expence
of fetching them, and we further observed that the Sheriff's of the
severall Counties, who have the Collecting of Officers fees, if they
should be obliged to take the aforesaid Commodities would be thereby
disabled to make use of Tobacco and be obliged to receive great
part of their Fee in parcels which would ruin them and very
much prejudice the publick credit and we cannot think it would
be any advantage to the poorer sort of people who seldom have
more of those Commodities than will supply their families Occasions