

On Motion, That an Address be prepared and sent to his Excellency, in Answer to his Message of this Day: Ordered, That Col. Tilghman, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Williamson, and Mr. Daniel Dulany, do prepare and bring in such Address.

The House adjourns till II of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem. - The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

The House adjourns until Monday Morning at IX of the Clock.

MONDAY MORNING, September 27, 1756.

THE House met according to Adjournment: All the Members appeared as on Saturday, except Mr. John Reeder, Mr. James John Mackall, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, Mr. Robert Lloyd, Col. Edward Tilghman, and Mr. Beall.

Mr. Bracco appeared in the House.

The House adjourns until II of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem. The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Mr. Handy brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report, viz.

IN Purfuance of an Order of the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly last Session, to enquire Whether the Indians mentioned in an Act, entituled, *An Act to empower Commissioners to appoint and cause to be laid out Three Thousand Acres of Land on Broad-Creek in Somerset County, for the Use of the Nanticoke Indians, so long as they shall occupy the Lands mentioned in the said Act*, and whether they did ever desert and leave the same, contrary to the Form of the said Act, We make the following Report: That after due Notice, in Writing, being first set up at the Court-House-Door, and other Public Places, setting forth the above Order, and giving Notice to all Persons that might be affected by said Enquiry, that we proposed meeting on the Land aforesaid, on Thursday the 9th Day of September, on which Day we accordingly met, and upon strict Enquiry could not find that any Indians had occupied or been settled on the Land mentioned in the above recited Act for near Twelve Months past; upon which we proceeded to examine into the Bounds of said Lands, they being well ascertained, and the Out-Lines of the same run, so as to discover the Number of White Persons settled thereon, which are as follows, viz. John Moore, junior, Thomas Baker, Joseph Smith, James Kersey, Michael Lynch, Joe Reed; Part of William Baker and Francis Lanks Plantations; as also a Public Tobacco Warehouse, and several Store-Houses, on the same; which are held under Leases from the Indians, as we were informed, one being produced to us, which runs for the Term of Ninety-nine Years.

All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

JOHN HANDY,
H WAGGAMAN,
JOHN HENRY.

A Motion, for Leave to bring in *A Supplementary Bill to the Act, entituled, An Act empowering the Justices of Somerset County to levy not exceeding 20,000 lbs. of Tobacco, &c.* was granted. Ordered, That Mr. Daniel Dulany, Mr. Waggaman, and Col. Henry, do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

A Motion, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill *For better Regulating the Militia of this Province*, was granted. Ordered, That Mr. Daniel Dulany, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Waggaman, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, and Mr. Carroll, do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, September 28, 1756.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Capt. Fraser and Capt. Smith appeared in the House.

Mr. Carroll and Mr. Earle have Leave of the House to be absent.

On Motion, Resolved, That a further Sum of 2400 l. (Part of the Sum of 25,000 l. already raised by the Act, entituled, *An Act for granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Services, &c.*) be applied to the Completion of Fort-Frederick, and for Subsistence and Payment of the Men already raised to Garrison the said Fort.