

Tuesday October The 30th 1705

A BILL Prepared by The Committee for Revifall of the Laws Entituled *an Act for Limitation of Actions and Avoiding of Suits* was Read The first Time and Committed to a Committee of The Whole house

M^r *Nathaniell Harrison* from the Committee of Elections and Priviledges Reported That The Said Committee had Taken into Consideration Several Matters to Them Referred, and Therein had Come to Several Resolutions Which he Read in his place and then Delivered Them in at The Table where being again Read the house Took The Same into Imediate Consideration and agreed to The Said Report as follows

Resolved That The Petitions of Several of the Inhabitants of the County of *Lancaster* Complaining of an Undue Election of a Burgefs for The Said County be Rejected

Resolved That The Petition of The Freeholders of y^e County of *Middlesex* and the Petition of M^r *Gawen Corbin* and M^r *Mathew Kemp* in Behalf of Themelves and other The Freeholders of the Said County Complaining an an Undue Election of Burgeffes for The Said County be Rejected

Resolved That M^r *John Washbourn* and M^r *John Wise Jun^r* are Duely Returned Burgeffes to Serve in This Present Generall Asssembly for The County of *Accomack*

Resolved That M^r *Edward Mofely* and M^r *Adam Thorowgood* are Duly Returned Burgeffes to Serve in This present Generall Asssembly for the County of *Princes Anne*

A Bill prepared by The Committee for Revifall of The Laws Entituled *an Act Declaring how Long Judgements Bonds Obligations and Accounts Shall be in force for The Assignment of Bonds and Obligations Directing what proof Shall be Sufficient in Such Cafes; and Ascertainning The Damage upon protested Bills of Exchange*, was Read The first time & Comitted to a Committee of y^e whole house

The house (according to order) *Resolved* it Self into a Committee of the whole house upon The Bill Concerning The Church Clergy and other Parochial affairs and after Some time Spent Therein M^r *Speaker* Refumed The Chair and M^r *Peter Beverley* Reported from the Said Committee That They had Made Some progress in The Said Bill and had Directed him to Move, That They May have Leave to Sit Again to Morrow

Resolved That This house will to Morrow Morning *Resolve* it Self into a Committee of the whole house to Consider further of The Said Bill.

And Then The house Adjourned Till to Morrow Morning Ten a Clock

Wednesday October y^e 31st 1705

A MESSAGE from the Council by M^r *Robertson*
M^r *Speaker and Gentlemen of the house of Burgeffes*

His Excl^y having with great Concern Represented to the Council how necessary it is That an Examination be made into The Occasion of That sad and Deplorable accident (which happened the other Night) of Burning *William and Mary* Colledge; The Council Think fitt to Appoint Six of Their Members to Take Examinations concerning That unhappy Disafter, & Therefore Desire this house to Appoint Such a Number of Their Members as They Shall Think fitt, to Assift in Examining into that Matter to Meet This Day at Eleven a Clock in the Conference Room.

The house agreed to the Examination Desired By the Council in The Said Message and appointed M^r *Randolph* M^r *Peter Beverley* M^r *Miles Cary* M^r *Robert Beverley* M^r *Hill* M^r *Harrison* M^r *Mason* of *Stafford* M^r *William Robinson* M^r *Francis Merriwether* M^r *Waters* M^r *Christopher Robinson* & M^r *Hack* to Assift Therein and That they Meet the Council This Day at Eleven a Clock in the Conference Room.

Ordered That M^r *Peter Beverley*, M^r *Miles Cary* M^r *Robert Beverley* and M^r *Hill* wait upon The Council and Acquaint Them That This house hath appointed Twelve
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of their Members to Affitt Their Honours (at The Time and place by Them Appointed) to Inquire into The Occasion of That unhappy Difafter of Burning *William and Mary* Colledge.

The Grievances from *princefs Anne* County being Referred from the Council were Read & Referred to the Consideration of the Committee of Propofitions and Grievances to Report Their Opinions Therein.

The Petition of *James Adams* praying Allowance for being Interpreter to the Northern Indians one year and half being Referred from the Council was Read and Referred to the Com^{tee} for Publick Claims to Report Their Opinions Therein.

Several Publick Claims from The County of *Warwick* were presented to The houfe and Referred to The Consideration of The Committee for Publick Claims to Examine The Subject Matter Thereof and Report The Same with Their Opinions Therein to y^e houfe.

Upon a Motion Made That Leave be given to any Member of This houfe to Appear and be Examined before The joynt Committee of y^e Council and Burgeffes appointed to Take Examinations Concerning The Burning of The Colledge of *William & Mary* Ordered That Leave be given Accordingly

The houfe (According to Order) Refolved it Self into a Committee of the Whole houfe to Confider further of the Bill Concerning The Church Clergy & other Parochial affairs and after Some time Spent Therein M^r *Speaker* Refumed The Chair and M^r *Peter Beverley* Reported from The Said Committee That They had made further progrefs in The Said Bill and had Directed him to Move That They may have Leave to Sit again to Morrow

Refolved That The houfe will to Morrow Refolve it Self into into a Committee of the whole houfe upon The faid Bill.

A Motion Being Made and after a Debate The
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That it be Referred to a Committee to Enquire into The practice and Behaviour of The Attorney Generall

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And Thereupon a Committee was Appointed Viz^t

M^r *Robert Beverley* M^r *Fizhugh*

M^r *Harrifon* M^r *McCarty* &

M^r *Francis Merriwether* M^r *Gaddes*

Ordered That The Said Committee Enquire into The Practice & Behaviour of The Attorney General and Report Their proceedings Therein to The houfe

Ordered That The Said Committee have power to adjourn *de Die in Diem* and to Send for Such perfons Records Journals and other papers as They Shall from Time to Time have Occasion for.

And Then The houfe adjourned Till to Morrow Morning Ten a Clock

Thursday November The first 1705

THE Petition of *Richard Morris* The elder praying to be Discharged from being a Doorkeeper to This houfe and That his Son *Richard Morris* may Officiate in his place was Read, and The Said *Richard Morris* The Younger Thereupon Admitted in The place of his father & ordered That he give his Attendance Accordingly

A Meffage from the Council by M^r *Robertfon*

M^r *Speaker*

The Council having Read and perufed a paper presented to Them as a Grievance from *King William* County find it to Contain Matter of very Dangerous Confequence but as it has a particular Relation to The houfe of Burgeffes They have Thought fitt to Send it to the houfe as more proper for Their Censure

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