

These four last mencōned Bills sent to their Maty^s honble Council by Cap^t Whittington and Major Hammond. Original Journal.

M^r Speaker moves the house that his Ex^{cy} recommends to them the Settling of publique Ferry's. Referred to the next Assembly.

Upon Reading the Committee of Agreivances Reporte relating to Shoemakers and Tanners the same is Referred to the next Assembly.

Major John Thompson recomended by the house to receive the Impost upon Liquors at the head of the Bay.

The petition of the people called Quakers, being rec^d from his Ex^{cy} and the honble his Matys Council to this house

'Tis the opinion of the house, that as to the first part thereof viz: dispensing with their corporeall Oaths, 'tis expressly contrary to the known Laws of the Kingdom of England and therefore not fitt to be dispensed with. And as to the second part of the petition relateing to the 40^s p poll this house will not make any distinction but continue them under the same Circumstances with all other their Matys good Subjects as to the payment thereof.

The house Adjournes till 6 of the clock in the Afternoone.

Post meridiem. The house being mett, ordered to be called over, were absent Cap^t Bayne, M^r Hawkins, M^r Dent, M^r Pollard and Colonel Codd.

M^r Boothby presents a Bill for raiseing a Tax upon all offices within this Province.

Voted, if the Bill shall pass with amendments, or not, and Carried in the affirmative, and the same was read the first time. p 23

An Additionall Act for regulateing the Militia read the first time.

An Act for regulateing Ordinarys and lymitting the number of them, read the first time.

The house Adjournes till to morrow morning at 6 a Clock.

Saturday May the 18th 1695.

The house being mett Ordered to be called over, and were absent these Members (viz^t) M^r Saunders, M^r Greenfield, M^r Hawkins, M^r Hutchison, M^r Watkins, Colonel Coursey, M^r Pollard & Col^o Codd.

Act for regulateing Ordinarys read the second time.

Act for Laying an Imposition on Negroes and Servants imported, read the second tyme.

His Ex^{cy} haveing generously offered to get our Acts of