

U. H. J. The Laws have already Provided

11 That a Law be made that the Inhabitants of the Ports of Annapolis & William Stadt may be Exempt from the Penalty of the Act against Forestallers and Reqraters and that the said Law may not reach them

If his Excellency thinks fit to Grant them such Priviledges this House Assents thereto

John Edmonsens Letter writ

M<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Lows motion referred to a full House

W Bladen Clk Assembly

May the 6<sup>th</sup> 1696:

The aforegoing Resolves being read were Assented to by his Excellency and the honble his Majestys Council save the Resolve upon the Query about Provision & Corn &c being not fully Answered and therefore Ordered that the said Queries be put again with this condition to know whether it be convenient that Pork be at this Juncture Exported for Virginia

Hen Denton Clk Concl.

May the 4<sup>th</sup> 1696

Read the following minute taken in Council March last Viz<sup>t</sup>

His Excellency having sent for the Justices of the Provincial Court & Lawyers thereto belonging to know of them and advise what way and method would be best for to bring the Business of all Actions &c there brought to be finished within the Circle or Compass of a Twelve month to the end a quick and speedy dispatch may be Given to all process and proceedings there brought especially Writts of Error Demurrers and Appeals to be done at the least charge and Trouble to the country and most Ease to the Justices and Lawyers who accordingly appear & the same being Stated unto them his Excellency Recommends that they Consult and consider upon the same against the next Assembly to the End a Law may then pass (if Occasion) for the regulating those matters and likewise then make Answer in what nature Appeals ought to be brought viz<sup>t</sup> whether the whole matter of fact upon such Appeal should be tryed anew or not

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Ordered that the same be laid before the House for their consideration & for a Law to pass if thought necessary as also that the House prepare a Law for the better ascertaining how the Sheriffes and Surveyors shall summon Juries upon Resurveys of Lands &c when the Bounds or Title are called in question the same was laid before the house accordingly