

ffriday Decembr the 13th 1706/

The House mett according to Adjournmt.

Upon Debateing what any Indian Trader or persons tradeing with the Indians should give ffor their Licence and the Question being put whether they Should Pay Eight pounds ꝑ Annum ffor their Licencies besides the other Charges/

Carried in the Affirmative./

According to Yeasterdays Resolutions

The House Enter'd into a Grand Committee of the whole House upon debateing the Indian Trade Bill and Mr Speakr left the Chair, and after Sometime Spent therein

Mr Speakr Reassum'd the Chair/

The Chairman of the Committee Reported that they had come to a Conclusiion and praid time till to morrow morning to Report their Opinion thereof

Order'd that he have leave till to morrow morning to make his Report

Mr Ralph Izard and Mr Henry Wigington to whome the Allegac'ons of Mr Dove Williamson Petition was Refferr'd, Report that they find the allegac'ons in the said Petition to be true. And brought in a Bill Entituled a Bill to Confirm a Decree made and Enroll'd in the High Court of Chancery &c^a which was Read the first time and past with Amendments/

An Additionall Bill to An Act Entituled an Act to Enable M^{rs} Sarah Rhett Administrat^x. to the will Annexed to Sell Land &c^a was Read the first time and past with Amendments

The Committee to whome it was Refferr'd to draw up and prepare Sundry Articles of Charge against John Pight Anthony Probert and James Lucas Indian Traders and partners in the said Trade relateing to the abuses by them Committed agst the Indians Reported that they had finished the Same which were read and then deliver'd in at the Table and are as followeth Viz^t.

ffirst It is alledged and Charged

They the Said John Pight, Anthony Probert and James Lucas or one or more of the said Partners on the day of in the year of Our Lord One Thous^d Seven Hundred &

arbitrarily and of his or their own accord bought of an Indian named Tomichee ten Indians which were free and which he or they knew to be free and made Slaves of them/

2^{dly} It is Alledged and Charged that they the said John Pight, James Lucas, and Anthony Probert or one or more of them in Company bought or otherwise procur'd these Severall Indian free people knowing them to be free & made them Slaves Viz^t.

7 Waucoogau free people bought of Toomichau

2 Illcombee free people of D^o

2 free people of the Tookesa King

1 Toomela free boy bought of D^o

1 free Illcombe woman & her Sister

1 free Illcombe woman & two Children

2 Tomillee free woman by name Colloose and Aukilla

1 Toomillee boy In all 20 free people./

3^{dly} It is Alledged and Charged that the said John Pight James Lucas and Anthony Probert some or all of them received positive Orders from the Govern^r to discharge and Sett free the Illcumbee and other Indians Afforesaid Yet they or Some or one of them Contemptuously and willfully disobey'd the afforesaid Com'ands to the great danger and Hazard of this Collony, by provokeing the Indians in Such a manner and made Some Slaves after they or one of them were made acquainted with said Order/

Upon Reading the petition of John Musgrove Indian Trader his Examinac'on being to be to day praid it might be defferr'd longer not haveing his papers in Town

Orderd

That the Examinac'on of the said Musgrove be defferr'd till Monday next

An Additionall Bill to an Act Entituled an Act to Continue an Act Entituled an Act ffor laying an Imposition on furs &c^a was Read a first time and past with amendm^{ts},

A Bill ffor ffoundng a Gram'er School &c^a was read a first time and past with Amendments

A Bill ffor the Erecting a new brick Church in Charles Town was Read the first time and past with Amendm^{ts}

The House Adjourn'd till to morrow morning nine a Clock