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House met againe

And M<sup>r</sup> Speaker and the Rest of the Members go up to his Ex<sup>cy</sup> and carry with them the aforesaid Bill for the Service of Almighty God and the Establishment of the protestant religion within this Province.

To which his Excellency on behalfe of his Majesty assented. And the same was in presence of the house sealed with the Broad Seale of this province.

After which his Ex<sup>cy</sup> gave the house to understand that, whereas the fleet was not yet arrived but shortly expected, he prorogued them untill the 16<sup>th</sup> day of September next.

At which tyme if there were no occasion of their coming he would in convenient tyme give them notice, and by proclamation further prorogue them,

W Bladen Clk. Assembly.

Examined by me

Thomas Laurence Secretary.

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Laws made in July  
1696

An Act for Sanctifying & keeping holy the Lord's Day  
Commonly called Sunday

p. 112 Forasmuch as the Sanctifying and Keeping holy of the Lords Day Commonly Called Sunday hath been and is Esteemed by the present and all primitive Christians and people to be a principal part of the Worship of Allmighty God and the Hono<sup>r</sup> which is due to his holy name. Be it enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of this present Generall Assembly and by the Authority of the same That from and after the publication of this Law no person or persons whatsoever within this Province shall work or do any bodily Labour or Occupation upon the Lord's day Commonly Called Sunday nor shall Comānd or willfully suffer any of his her or their Children Servants or Slaves to work or Labour as aforesaid (the works of absolute necessity and mercy Always Excepted) nor shall Suffer or Permitt any of his her or their Children Servants or Slaves or any other under their Authority to abuse or prophane the Lords day as afores<sup>d</sup> by drunkenness swearing Gameing fowling fishing hunting or any other Sports or pastimes or recrea-