

Your Committee find, that there has been no Arms or Ammunition received into the Magazine, since the Report made to the Honourable House, in the Year 1765, and that the Arms are much in the same Condition as they were at that Time, except those in the Council-Chamber, and the Cannon on the Battery, which appear to be in good Order, and the latter better fixed, than when that Review was made.

Having applied to the Armourer, for the Accounts of the Arms and Ammunition received into the Magazine, and delivered out, he acquaints your Committee, that he has delivered out none, since he has had the Charge thereof, and that he never had any Accounts relative thereto, given in to him.

Your Committee further beg Leave to acquaint the Honourable House, that the Arms in the Cellar, below the Conference Room, unless soon removed, will be much damaged by the Rust, and imagine it would be most advisable for them to be sold for the Benefit of the Country; as the late, and present Armourers, seem to have neglected them very much.

Your Committee further beg Leave to observe, that the Powder-House is in a ruinous Situation; that unless shortly repaired, will fall down, and the Ammunition therein consequently destroyed. All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed per Order,

EDWARD FORD, Cl.

The Petition of *Anne Catharine Green*, read a second Time, and granted. ORDERED, That Mr. Hall, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Jennings, do prepare and bring in a Bill, according to Prayer.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising Four-Pence Sterling on every Hogshead of Tobacco exported out of this Province, for the Support of an Agent at London, for the Service of this Province*, read the second Time, and will pass: Sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Goldsborough, and Mr. Grahame.

Mr. T. Dashiell has Leave of Absence.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the better regulating the Office of Sheriff, and further Advancement of Justice within this Province*; read the second Time, and committed for Amendments.

Mr. Ringgold brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for granting to the Nanticoke Indians, a Compensation for the Lands therein mentioned*: Which is read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Dickinson brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed by the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly, to enquire into the Truth of the Facts set forth in the Petitions of Spedding Bromwell, and Edward Bromwell, of Talbot County.

YOUR Committee find, that in the Month of *September*, in the Year Seventeen Hundred and Fifty-nine, Deeds of Lease and Release were made by *Ellis Cunliffe*, of *Liverpool*, Heir and Devisee of *Foster Cunliffe*, Esq; deceased, of the first Part; the said *Ellis Cunliffe*, and *Robert Cunliffe*, of *Liverpool*, aforesaid, surviving Copartners, and also acting Executors of the said *Foster Cunliffe*, of the second Part; and *Jacob Bromwell*, of the Town of *Oxford*, in *Talbot County*, of the Third Part; by which Five Lots, in the said Town of *Oxford*, appear to have been conveyed in Fee, to the said *Jacob Bromwell*, for, and in Consideration of the Sum of Eighty Pounds *Maryland* Currency. The said Lots, as mentioned in the Deeds, are numbered Forty-six, Forty-seven, Forty-eight, Forty-nine, and Fifty-one. Number Fifty, mentioned in the Petition of *Edward Bromwell*, appears to us not to be included in the said Deeds, or either of them. Your Committee further find, that after the said Purchase, by *Jacob Bromwell*, he made a verbal Contract or Agreement with the Petitioners, for Four Lots of Land, lying in the said Town, viz. with *Spedding Bromwell*, for the Lots, Number Forty-eight and Forty-nine; and with *Edward Bromwell*, for the Two Lots, Number Fifty and Fifty-one; for which each of the said Parties was to allow the said *Jacob Bromwell*, the Sum of Seventy Pounds Current Money. But your Committee do not find any Conveyance to the said *Jacob Bromwell*, for the Lot Number Fifty.

Your Committee further find, that the said *Jacob Bromwell* acknowledged, at several Times, that he had the Purchase-Money for the said Lots in his own Hands; and that, in Faith of the said Parole, or verbal Contract, the said *Spedding*, and *Edward Bromwell*, entered into the said Lots, so respectively by them purchased, and have held the same in their Possession for several Years; and that *Spedding Bromwell* hath built a new Joiner's Shop, and repaired the Dwelling-House, and made other valuable Improvements; and that *Edward Bromwell* hath made some Improvements and Repairs, but not to any great Value. All which Facts will more fully appear by the said Deeds, and by the Depositions of *David Robinson*, *Alice Sherwood*, and *Mary Bromwell*, to which your Committee beg Leave to refer.

Your Committee further find, that before any Deeds were made by the said *Jacob Bromwell*, he was unfortunately drowned in the Month of *February*, in the Year Seventeen Hundred and Sixty-six, and left Issue *Jacob Bromwell*, a Minor, of about Six or Seven Years of Age, his eldest Son and Heir at Law.

All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed per Order,

HENRY WILKINS, Cl.

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