

By the UPPER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, November 17, 1773.

GENTLEMEN,

THIS House hath appointed *Benedict Calvert* and *Daniel of Saint Thomas Jenifer*, Esquires, to join the Members named by your House, in a Committee to inspect the Office and Proceedings of the Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

The House being informed, that Mr. *Jacob Funk*, a Delegate returned for *Frederick County* to serve in this present General Assembly was attending; ORDERED, That Mr. *Griffith* and Mr. *Wootton* do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House to see him qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

Philip Thomas Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of sundry Inhabitants of *Saint Mary's, Calvert, Charles, and Prince-George's Counties*, praying that an Act may pass for the Sale of the present Free Schools, together with their Lands in those Four Counties, and the Monies arising from the Sales thereof, with the Arrears now due to the said Schools, as also what may hereafter become due from the public Treasurers, may be appropriated to erect and endow one large School or Seminary of Learning to be called at the Place called *Cool Springs*, in *Saint Mary's County*.

Mr. *J. Hall* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of the Staple of Tobacco, and for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs*.

The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The House met.

Mr. *Ridgely* and Mr. *Contee* appeared in the House.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of the Staple of Tobacco, and for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs*, was read the First and Second Time by an especial Order, and passed unanimously.

RESOLVED, That the said Bill be carried to the Upper House by Mr. Speaker, attended by the whole House.

The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning 9 o'Clock.

T H U R S D A Y, November 18, 1773.

THE HOUSE met. All members present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

Mr. *Robins* and Mr. *Beatty* appeared in the House.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Contee* be added to the Committee appointed to inspect the Office and Proceedings of the Commissioners for emitting Bills of Credit.

Mr. Speaker, attended by the Members of the Lower House, went to the Upper House, with the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of the Staple of Tobacco, and for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs*. The House returned. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

On Motion, That the Reverend Mr. *David Love* have an Allowance made him for his Attendance on this House, at the last Meeting in *October*, to perform divine Service; RESOLVED, That, in Consideration of the voluntary Offer made by that Reverend Gentleman, and the serious Regard he has thereby shewn to Religion, especially by the laudable Manner in which he offered his Service, declaring, that although he should be perfectly satisfied with whatever this House should think proper to allow him, yet that so decent a Custom should be kept up, he would most willingly perform the Service without any Reward, and in Consideration also of his Trouble in daily attending this House, on Account of his Residence in the Country in a different Parish, he be allowed on the Journal of Accounts the Quantity of Three Thousand Two Hundred Pounds of Tobacco for his Service at the last Meeting.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Fees of Officers and Lawyers, and that Mr. *Lloyd*, Mr. *Beall*, Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *Thomas*, Mr. *Sim*, Mr. *J. Hall*, Mr. *So. Wright*, Mr. *T. Wright*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Chamberlaine*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Brown*, Mr. *Earle*, and Mr. *Tolly*, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of insolvent Debtors, and that Mr. *So. Wright*, Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *Beall*, Mr. *Smallwood*, Mr. *Sim*, Mr. *J. Hall*, and Mr. *Wootton*, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, Leave given to bring in a Bill for quieting sundry the Inhabitants of *Frederick County* in their Possessions.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices, and that Mr. *T. Wright*, Mr. *Wootton*, Mr. *Earle*, Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *J. Hall*, Mr. *Smallwood*, and Mr. *Ringgold*, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, Leave given to bring in a Bill pursuant to the Report brought in last Convention upon the Petition of *Edward Smith*.

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