

L. H. J. Mathew Tilghman Ward Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Upper House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the bill for the Encouragement of making Linen Cloath within this Province of Flax or Hemp of the Growth thereof thus Endorst.

By the Upper House of Assembly 17<sup>th</sup> July 1731.

Read the first time and Ordered to Lye on the Table

Signed p Order. Jn<sup>o</sup> Ross Cl. Up. Ho.

By the Upper House of Assembly 19<sup>th</sup> July 1731.

Read a Second time and will pass with the following Amendments [The text of these amendments is printed at page 197.]

Which was read with the Amendments & Past for Ingrossing.

A Bill for the Assessment of so much Tobacco on the Taxable Inhabitants of Westminster Parish in Ann arundell County as will build them a new Church and purchase two acres of Land to build the said Church on, Read the first and Second time by an Especial Order & will pass, Sent to the Upper House by M<sup>r</sup> Richard Warfeild, Who returns and acquaints M<sup>r</sup> Speaker he Delivered the Same.

The House Adjourns untill two of the Clock in the Afternoon

#### Post Meridiem

The House met according to Adjournment, Called & all present as in the Morning.

Cap<sup>n</sup> William Elliott a Member for Queen Anns County this day makes his Appearance in the House.

Coll<sup>o</sup> Richard Tilghman from the Upper House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the Petition of Edward Hyat which was read & Granted.

M<sup>r</sup> Phillip Key from the Committee of Laws Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker a Bill for reviving An Act for the Tryall of all Matters of fact in the Several Countys where they have Arisen or shall Arise the Continuance of Causes in the Provincial Court and Adjournment of that Court with The Supplementary Act thereto and to Amend some Defects in the said Acts. Read the first time and Ordered to Lye on the Table.

M<sup>r</sup> Joshua George from the Committee of Laws Delivered M<sup>r</sup> Speaker an Engrossed bill Entituled an Act Impowering the Justices of Calvert County to Levy on the Taxable Persons of that County any Sum of Tobacco not Exceeding ten thousand pounds of Tobacco to pay for the finishing the Court House of the said County.

The Petition of Richard Roper was read & Granted with a Proviso in the Act not to Prejudice his Master of his Servitude.