U.H.J. An Engrossed Bill from the Lower House by Mess^{rs} Paca and Hyland Entituled an Act continuing an Act of Assembly of this Province Entituled an Act for the more effectual Punishment of certain Offenders and for taking from them the Benefit of Clergy, thus subscribed

24 May 1744

Read and Assented to by the Lower House of Assembly
Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct Lo Ho.

Read and Assented to by this House and Ordered to be so subscribed

Read the second time the Bill entituled an Act to exempt part Owners of Ships and other Vessels being Residents of this Province from the Payment of Duties; and will not pass, sent with the following Message by Samuel Chamberlain Esq^r

By the Upper House of Assembly 24 May 1744 Gentlemen

We send you back the Bill, to exempt part Owners of Ships and Vessels being Residents of this Province from the Payment of Duties with Our Negative to it, not only because the Title and p. 27 enacting Part are inconsistent but also because We think it will be a better Way to have a Bill brought in to lay a Duty of one Penny p Gallon on all Rum and other Spirits and Wine that shall be exported (except from Great Britain) as We believe so small a duty will raise more Money than is at present raised by the three Pence p Gallon now payable and that it will put all his Majestys Subjects importing the said Liquors upon an equal Foot

Signed p Order J Ross Ct Up Ho.

A Bill from the Lower House by Mess^{rs} Purnell and Selby Entituled an Act for dividing Allhallows Parish in Worcester County and for erecting a Parish out of the same called by the Name of Worcester Parish thus endorsed

By the Lower House of Assembly 22^d May 1744
Read the first time and Ordered to lie on the Table
Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct Lo Ho.

By the Lower House of Assembly 24 May 1744

Read the second time and will pass

Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct Lo Ho. Read the first time in this House and Ordered to lie on the Table Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

May 25 Friday Morning 25 May 1744

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as Yesterday

Mess^{rs} King and Gale from the Lower House attend with M^r David Wilson a Member Elected for Somerset County in the