

L. H. J.
Liber No. 47
May 14

I presume, was ever since the Appointment of Clerks by the Secretary: The Reasonableness of it I conceive to be founded on the Rule of Respondeat Superior; by which the Secretary would, and has always been looked upon, to be answerable for the Clerks Misbehaviour, in Case of the Insolvency of the Clerks or their Securities.

‘ I am, Sir,

‘ Your Excellency’s Most obedient humble Servant,

‘ Edm. Jenings.

‘ May 14, 1750.’

Daniel Dulany, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill entituled, An Act to prevent the Exportation of Trash, or bad Tobacco, Indorsed, “ By the Upper House of Assembly, May 14, 1750: “ Read the first and second Time by an especial Order, and will pass.” Which Bill was read here, and passed for Ingrossing.

A Remonstrance of the Loss and Gain in the several Inspecting-Houses in Anne Arundel County, by Order of the Justices of Anne Arundel County, was delivered to Mr. Speaker, by Mr. Brice, Clerk of the said County; and was read and referred for Consideration. p. 20

The House adjourns ’til Tomorrow Morning at 9 o’Clock.

Tuesday Morning, May 15, 1750.

May 15

The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

Capt. Travers appeared in the House.

The Governor communicates to Mr. Speaker the following Answer:

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

I am desired by the Secretary to add, to what he has already said on the Subject of your Address, in Relation to the County Clerks; That he looks upon an Agreement with the County Clerks, to receive a proportionable Part of their annual Fees, to be strictly legal and warrantable by the Common Law; and, agreeable to which, their Commissions are worded.

Sam. Ogle.

The House, the Order of the Day being read, having taken into Consideration the Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, &c. the Question was put, Whether the Paragraph in the said Law, that inflicts the Punishment of Whipping of a Slave for transgressing that Law, be altered; or not? Resolved in the Negative.