

L. H. J. 29th Day of September then next, vide Record Book of Laws, Page
 Liber No. 47 129; and the same Session, an Act of Gauge and Tare was made,
 October 9 Page 206; and that at a Session of Assembly, held the 17th Day of
 p. 268 July 1716, an Act for Gauge and Tare was made, as appears in the
 same Book, Page 302; in all which there is a Consideration to the
 respective Lords Proprietors for Land Rents.

Your Committee humbly conceive, that there could be no Rent due upon the said Land called Hooper's Island, but from the Date of the Patent thereof; and that the said Thomas Muir his causing the said Roger Hooper to be distrained for the Sum aforesaid, was Illegal, Grievous and Oppressive, but is humbly submitted to the Consideration of your Honourable House.

Signed per Order, William Wilkins, Clerk.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment.

A Petition of Alexander Hamilton, Doctor of Physic, complaining of an undue Return, made by the Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, was preferred to this House; upon reading thereof,

Ordered, That the Petitioner do give Notice to George Steuart, Esq; of this Petition having been preferred, and that this House will proceed to take the same into Consideration, at the Bar of this House on the morrow Morning, being the 10th Instant, and that Lists of the controverted Votes shall be mutually exchanged, between the said Alexander Hamilton and George Steuart, with the particular Objection which they intend to insist upon, set against the Name of each Person whose Vote they intend to dispute, and that such Lists shall be respectively confined to such Voters, as were objected to at the Time of their giving their respective Votes.

Col. Hooper, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Speedy Recovery of Small Debts out of Court before one Justice of the Peace; and a Bill, intituled, An Act for issuing Writs of Replevin out of the County Courts of this Province; and a Bill, intituled, An Act to License Hawkers and Pedlars.

Mr. Charles Goldsborough, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, intituled, An Act continuing an Act intituled,
 p. 269 An Act to prevent the ill Practices of Sheriffs in the Collecting and Payment of the Public and County Levies; and a Bill, intituled, An Act continuing an Act intituled, An Act for the Gauge of Barrels for Pork, Beef, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, and Tare of Barrels, for Flour, or Bread.