

On Motion, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the Convenience of clearing a Road from Fort Frederick to Fort Cumberland, through this Province, and to make an Estimate of the Expence;

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Ordered, That Col. Cresap, Mr. Crabb, Mr. Chapline, Mr. E. Dorsey, Mr. Beall, and Mr. King, be a Committee for that Purpose, and that they do make Report thereof to the House on the Morrow.

On Motion, Leave given, to bring in a Bill for Reducing the Allowances of the Members of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assebmly, the Judges of the High Court of Appeals and Errors, and Provincial Justices;

Ordered, That Mr. Govane, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Key, Mr. J. H. Dorsey, Mr. Cockey Deye, and Mr. Owings, do prepare and bring in the same.

The Order of the Day being Read; the House Referred the Hearing of the Petition of Mr. Henry Woodward until the Morrow.

Ordered, That the Petition of Mr. Henry Woodward be heard at the Bar of this House on the Morrow.

The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.

Friday, 15 December, 1758.

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The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday, except Major Waggaman. The Proceedings were Read.

Mr. Benton Harris hath Leave of Absence.

The Order of the Day being Read; the Hearing of the Petition of Mr. Henry Woodward was Referred till Monday Morning next.

Ordered, That an Hearing on the Petition of Mr. Henry Woodward be had at the Bar of this House on Monday Morning next, being the 18th Instant.

Mr. Murdock brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency the Governor; which was Read, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

Col. Tilghman brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report, viz.†

By the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice, December the 15th, 1758.

Your Committee, in Compliance with that Branch of their Duty which requires them to Inspect the Commissions made out to, and Oaths taken by, the several Magistrates within this Province, have examined the Records of the Provincial and Anne-Arundel County Courts, and do find, That the Oath taken by the Justices of those Courts, are agreeable to the Form of an Oath of Judge or Justice

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