

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock.

Post-Meridiem. The House met according to Adjournment.

L. H. J.
Liber No. 52
April 23

Mr. Ward, Mr. Worthington, and Col. Richard Lloyd, have Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. Worthington, Mr. Wilmer, and Mr. Wright, be added to the Committee to report to the House the State of the Serjeant's Fees.

An Ingrossed Bill, entituled, An Act to erect a Market at the Market-House in Kent County, &c. was sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill, by Mr. J. Goldsborough and Mr. J. Hall.

John Ridout, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entituled, An Act to prevent any future Loan of the Bills of Credit in the Paper Currency Office, &c. thus Indorsed, By the Upper House of Assembly, 23d April, 1762. Read the first and second Time, by especial Order, and will Pass, with the following Amendments: Leave out from the Word Officer, in the 17th line, to the Words and the, in the 20th Line, and insert the following: When he accounts for, and pays into the Office aforesaid, the Money by him received in Virtue of the above recited Acts, shall, at the Foot, or on the Back of his Account, produce over and above the usual Probate, a Probate under the Hand of some Provincial or County Justice to this Effect, viz. That the Paper Money for which he has debited himself in his said Account, is the Amount of all the Paper Money which he received from the People by Virtue of the said Acts, during the Time for which he accounts.

Which was Read, with the Amendments, to which the House agrees, and the said Bill was ordered to be Ingrossed.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker, the following Message:

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

Since I find by the Address you presented to me last Saturday, that there are some among you who seem determin'd to misconstrue whatever I can say or do, it will give me no Concern to know, that my Conduct does not meet with the Approbation of those Men; but that such of you as have not shut your Eyes against Truth, may be more fully inform'd of the Disingenuity of those Gentlemen, and their unreasonable Attempts, on more Occasions than one, I must beg your Patience while I trouble you with a Narrative of some of their former Proceedings.

The Earl of Loudoun, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Forces on this Continent, having in March 1757, signified to the Governors of the neighbouring Colonies, and Myself, that agreeable to a Plan which his Majesty had approved of, the greatest Part of the King's Regular Troops in America, were to be employ'd the ensuing Campaign to the Northward; and that for the Defence