

tioned in the Statute of the 6.th of Queen Ann higher than they are by that Statute rated as a Currency because such a Regulation hath been Decreed in England to be repugnant to the said statute

U. H. J.
Liber No. 36
Nov. 3

When therefore we so clearly see a Rock, upon which, if not avoided, the Law must be lost, we thought it the most Prudential Part we could take in order to preserve An Act so beneficial to the People, &, now become so necessary, to propose an Amendment, as would not, in the Opinion of any one, contravene the Statute, and make especially, as every Advantage would at the Same time be Effectually secured by it to the People

Upon the whole Gentlemen, as a regard is due to the Opinion of others without whose concurrence the Bill can't pass into a Law, and all matters may be easily conciliated, and every essential advantage secured to the Province, the affair rests with you for your mature Consideration, whether you will agree to the Framing of a Bill in such a manner as may bring about the passage of it, and intitle the People to the Numberless Benefits They must derive from it, or whether, because the mode you are inclined to adopt, cant be established, You will chuse to drop the Law altogether, By which Step not to mention the Difficulty there would then be of Complying with the Statute of the 24.th of George the 2.^d nor to enter into a particular Enumeration of all the Disadvantages and mischiefs which would necessarily ensue from it, the Coins Specified in the Statute of the 6.th Queen Ann would not pass at all, but, as a Currency at the Rate of 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ upon it's intrinsick or Sterling Value, and by which the Foundation, Whereon many of our commercial Transactions stand, would, indeed, be destroyed,

signed p order John Ross Clk. Up. Ho.

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock

Friday Morning 4th. November 1763

Nov. 4

This house met again according to Adjournment

Present as yesterday

Adjourned till 3 of the Clock in the afternoon

Eodem Die Post Meridiem

This house met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the Morning

Read the Petition of Several the Inhabitants near the Frontiers of Frederick County praying a Bill may be brought in to raise a number of Men for the Defence of the Said Frontiers Passed and sent by Ben.^t Calvert Esq.^r

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock