

N.º 25. An Act to oblige infected Ships, and other Vessels, coming into this Province, to perform Quarantine.

L. H. J.
Liber No. 52
Dec. 6

N.º 26. An Act for the Payment of the Public Claims, for emitting Bills of Credit, and for other Persons [Purposes] therein mentioned.

Were severally read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bills, by Mess.^{rs} Grahame, & Buchanan

The following Message, Viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly, Dec.^r 6, 1766.

May it please your Honours,

In Answer to your Message, of this Date, by B. Calvert, Esq when we consider that the Lord Proprietary was requested by the Act of Assembly, lately passed, closing the Paper Currency Office, and appointing Trustees in London, to superintend those Trustees, and we look on this only as a Continuance of the same Trust, we do not see the Necessity of joining in any such Address as your Honours have mentioned. However, if your Honours should think otherwise, and will be pleased to prepare such Address, we are willing to join therein.

Signed per Order MMacnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Ordered, That the following Resolves be entered on the Journal, Viz.

This House having, at this Session, as well as most others, since the Year 1739, passed a Bill to raise Money to support an Agent, to be employed by them, at the Court of London, to represent their Grievances to his Majesty, and transact the Provincial Affairs, and the same having been constantly refused by the Upper House, and the Journal of Accounts having also been refused by their Honours, ever since the Year 1756, unless this House would make an Allowance by a Tax on the People, for an Annual Salary to the Clerk of his Lordship's Council of State (over and above his Allowance as Clerk of the Upper House, and over and above his Fees settled by Law in the Year 1747, as Clerk of the Council) contrary to their fixed and settled Opinion; that the said Clerk, his reasonable Reward, as well as every Expense necessarily attending the Execution of the Powers of Government, ought to be defrayed out of the Fines, Forfeitures, Amerciaments, 12.^d per Hogshead, and other Monies, received under Colour of Law, to defray the Expences of Government, by which Means Public Credit having been greatly injured, and in a Manner annihilated, and the Public Creditors so long kept out of their just Claims, as to be reduced to the greatest Distress, and some of them to a State of Despair, although this Province now hath £30,000 Capital Stock of the Bank of England, a very sufficient Fund to issue Bills of Credit on, to pay those Claims, and give a Circulating Medium to their Commerce, languishing for Want thereof. To remedy these Evils, and promote, as far as in