

U.H. J. in Queen Anns County, and Saint Pauls Parish, lying partly in  
Liber No. 36 Queen Anns, and partly in Talbot Counties  
Dec. 15

Mess.<sup>rs</sup> Graham and Several others bring up an Engrossed Bill, Entitled an Act for Emitting Bills of Credit, and other Purposes therein Mentioned—Read and Assented to by the Lower House of Assembly

The Journal of Accounts together with the following Message is Sent by George Steuart Esq.

By the Upper House of Assembly 15.<sup>th</sup> of December 1769.

Gentlemen.

In November Session 1766, when the last Journal of Accounts that Passed came into this House, it was returned with a Negative, because, among other Reasons, no Allowance was made therein to the late Governor for the Seals to Proclamations for the Purpose of notifying, to the People of this Province, Several Acts of Parliament relative to the British Colonies, or to the late Printer for Printing those Acts—In the present Journal there is the same Omission, as well as no Allowance made to the present Governor or Printer for a similar Claim, The first Reason assigned, at the above Session, upon the Conferrence that then took place, by the Conferrees of the Lower House, for not allowing the Claims of the late Governor and Printer, was, because the Publication of Acts of Parliament in this Province by Proclamation was without Precedent, to which the Conferrees of this House were instructed to Answer, that since it was alledged that the Publication of Acts of Parliament in this Province by Proclamation was without Precedent, and inasmuch as the Necessity of a Speedy Conclusion on the Business of the Journal would not admit of a full Enquiry into Precedents, this House were willing to refer the Consideration of the Matter to a future Session.

Upon the coming up of the Journal this Session, we made Search for and have found some Precedents on the Subject, but as it might be inconvenient at this Season to Enter into a full Examination thereof, so we are willing that the Consideration of the above Claims may be referred to a future Session, if you are averse from making the Allowance now

We further observe that you have not made the usual Allowance  
p. 429 to the Clerk of the Council, and therefore cannot Pass the Journal of Accounts as it now Stands, but if you shall think Proper to make a Provision for his eventual Payment, in the same manner as was done in November Session 1766, We shall give Our Assent to the Passage thereof

Signed by Order UScott Cl. Up. ho.

Mess.<sup>rs</sup> Hall and Steele bring up a Bill, Entitled an Additional Supplementary Act to the Act entitled an Act for amending the Staple