L. H. J. Liber No. 54 Nov. 15 County, and him have immediately at the Bar of this House, to answer the Complaint of Samuel Luckett, for illegally executing his Body for ffees, and also for a Contempt of the Authority of this House.

The House adjourns till To-Morrow Morning 8 O'Clock

Nov. 16

Friday, November 16:th 1770

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Members were called, and all appeared as on Yesterday.

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

M. Hopper and M. Eden appeared in the House

M. Ringgold brings in, and delivers to M. Speaker the following Message.

By the Lower House of Assembly, November 16:th 1770 May it please your Honours,

We return you the Bill for the Relief of certain Prisoners in the several Jails therein mentioned, with the Amendment proposed by your Honours. Although a Clause similar to this Amendment has been heretofore proposed by your House, and assented to by this, in Bills for the Relief of Prisoners, Experience has shown us, that it wants some Explanation, and therefore we are unwilling to agree to the Amendment as it now stands. Whether a Person is of sufficient Ability of Body to labour is a Question of Judgment and Discretion. What shall be said to be a Family is a Matter about which Doubts have arisen. We think there ought to be some Person pointed out to determine these Questions where they may arise. The Sheriff would be an improper Judge, as he alone would in most Cases be benefited by the Sale. If your Honours intend that the Justices shall be the Judges, we think it not expressed with sufficient Certainty. We also think it might be more clearly expressed, that it should not be compulsory upon the Persons described in the Amendment to serve but that they ought to have an Election to serve or take no Benefit by the Law. These Objections being removed, we shall pass the Bill with the Amendment

Signed by Order Jn.º Duckett Cl. Lo. Ho.

p. 170 The ingrossed Bill, N.º 7, read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by M. Thomas and M. Ware. They return, and acquaint M. Speaker they delivered the Bill.

M.r Johnson brings in, and delivers to M.r Speaker the following Report Viz.t

By the Committee appointed to examine into the Truth of the