

Law; from the Time the said Law expired, the Fees have been charged for each Service according to the Limitation and Allowance of the Rates prescribed by the said Law; with this Difference, that Planters, as well as those who are not makers of Tobacco, have been, and still are, left to choose, whether they will pay in Tobacco, or in Money after the Rate of 12/6 Common Money for One hundred Pounds of Tobacco, and I have in this Manner charged Fees in the Chancery Office by the Order and Direction of the Secretary.

To the Gentlemen of the Lower House appointed a Committee to inspect the publick Offices

L. H. J.
Liber No. 54
June 24

I am, Gentlemen, very respectfully,
Your most obedient Humble Servant,
James Brooks.

Gentlemen,

In Obedience to your Requisition of Yesterday, I beg Leave to inform you, that I have charged the Fees of the Land Office agreeable to the Regulation of the late Inspection Law, computing the Value of Tobacco at twelve Shillings and six Pence common Currency for every Hundred Weight; and this I have done by Order of the Judges.

To the Gentlemen of the Lower House appointed a Committee to inspect the publick Offices.

I am, Gentlemen, with respect,
Your Obedient humble Servant,
William Steuart, Register.

June 23.^d 1773

Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

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On Motion, Ordered, That the Governor's first Message of the 22.^d June be read, and the same was read accordingly.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in to prevent counterfeiting the Paper Money of other Colonies, and that M.^r J Hall, M.^r Paca, M.^r Key, and M.^r Tolly, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, Ordered, That the Governor's second Message of same Date be read; and the same was read accordingly.

On Motion, Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Representatives of deceased Treasurers to pay over the Balances in their Hands to the succeeding Treasurers; and that M.^r J. Hall, M.^r Thomas, M.^r Contee, M.^r Johnson, and M.^r Richardson do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, Ordered, That M.^r Paca, M.^r Thomas, and M.^r Wilson, do prepare an Address to his Excellency in Answer to his two Messages of the 22.^d Instant.

John Ridout, Esq., from the Upper House, delivers to M.^r Speaker sundry Prisoners Petitions, thus indorsed; "By the Upper House of Assembly June 24.th 1773. Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly the Petitions of the following