

*Votes and
Proceedings
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House,*
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By the COMMITTEE appointed to examine into the Facts set forth in Edward Smoot's Petition.

YOUR Committee in Obedience to the Direction of the honourable House have examined into the Facts set forth in the abovesaid Petition, and do find, that *Boles Tyer Balthrop*, in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-seven, passed his Bond to *Thomas Browning*, for the Conveyance of Five Hundred Acres of Land, called *Boleston*, lying on the North Side of *Chester River*, in *Kent County*, for the Consideration of Six Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds, payable in Silver Dollars, at Seven Shillings and Sixpence *per* Dollar, or *Spanish Pistoles* at Twenty-seven Shillings each; which Sum was to be paid as well as all the Expences that might accrue on docking the Intail of said Land by *Browning*, before the Conveyance was executed by *Balthrop*. That in Consequence thereof the Intail was docked, but no Conveyance ever made, either by *Balthrop* in his Lifetime, or since by his Executor and Executrix; but it does not appear by *Balthrop's* Will, (as stated in said Petition) that he directed the said Land to be conveyed to *Browning*, but that it was to be sold at publick Vendue for the Benefit of his Creditors, and his Brother *John Balthrop*.

And it further appears to your Committee, that a Sale of Two Hundred Acres of Land, Part of the abovesaid Tract was made for Two Hundred and Seventy Pounds Current Money, and the Conveyance jointly executed by *Balthrop* and *Browning*, to a certain *Joseph Redgrave*, on the Fourteenth Day of *January*, Seventeen Hundred and Sixty-nine, and the abovesaid Sum of Two Hundred and Seventy Pounds hath been received by *Balthrop*, in Part of the original Sum of Six Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds. All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed by Order J. COURTS JONES, Cl. Com.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning 9 o'Clock.

Oct. 26

TUESDAY, October 26, 1773.

THE House met. All Members present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

On Motion, Mr. *Tolly* is added to the Committee of Accounts.

Mr. *Wootton*, Mr. *Chamberlaine*, and Mr. *Robins* appeared in the House.

William Hayward, Esq; from the Upper House delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of sundry Inhabitants of *Prince-George's County*; praying that an Act may pass to empower the Justices of *Prince-George's County*, to contract for, and erect a publick Jail in *Upper-*