

made at the late Convention, if you should think proper to agree to it, would guard against these inconvenient Consequences of your Opinion, should the proper, regular, legal Authority determine the Act for the Establishment of Religious Worship, &c. to be in full Force, and the proposed Alternative give a Prospect of great Relief to the Planters. Many, at least Nine Vacancies by the Death and Removal of Ministers, have happened since *October* Session, 1771, when this Alternative on their Death, or Removal, was first proposed, and, upon the happening of such Events hereafter, the Makers of Tobacco may regret their not being allowed to pay in Tobacco or Money, at the easy Rate of Four Shillings. As a Law, (the Claim of the Clergy to merchantable Tobacco being considered) calculated merely for the Regulation of this Staple, and to ascertain its merchantable Quality, may prove to be inconvenient, so we have proposed a Duration for Three Years only.

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Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

Which said Message and Amendments were severally read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

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

FRIDAY *November 26, 1773.*

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

The Message brought from the Upper House Yesterday, accompanying the Inspection Bill, and the Amendments proposed, were severally read a Second Time, and the Amendments were agree to, and the Bill passed for ingrossing.

Mr. *Funk*, being unwell, hath Leave of Absence.

The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock

POST MERIDIEM.

The House met.

John Ridout, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of sundry subscribing Inhabitants of *Baltimore County*, praying that an Act may pass similar to the Act passed in the Year 1768, for the Relief of the Poor in that County. And further praying, that a Sum of Money not less than Four Thousand Pounds Current Money may be appropriated to the Purpose of building and erecting an Alms and Work-House in the said County. And also, praying that the said Sum may be paid and advanced by the Commissioners or Trustees of the Paper Currency Office, out of the Interest Money or any other Money that may come to their Hands, and that the said Money be repaid to the Public, with In-