

NEW-YORK, October 22.

On Friday Afternoon returned here, the Brig Charming Molly, Capt. Keffler, of this Port: He sailed from hence for Santa Cruz, the 3d Instant, but on the 7th following, in Lat. 28, he met with a violent Gale of Wind at South, which continued and increased till one o'Clock next Morning, and then changed to N. N. W. and blew most terribly, when the Vessel breach'd too, and lay on her Beam Ends near two Hours: In this deplorable Situation, and by the frequent Breaches the Sea made over him, he lost 14 Horses off his Deck, his Fore Top Mast, Mainmast close by the Board, and Boom and Main-fail: She then righted, and the Wind seem'd to abate, but the Seas ran prodigious high. As the Vessel made but little Water during the Gale, Capt. Keffler could have proceeded to his intended Port, but considering the vast Expence he must have been at in repairing his Damages there, thought it most prudent to return home.

We hear that on the third Instant, James M'Neil, a Pedlar, was found murder'd and robb'd, in the Woods, about ten Miles this Side Albany: It seems where he lodged the Night before, he was very free in shewing a considerable Number of Dollars, and Paper Money, to one John Turner, a British Man, his Bedfellow; who, as soon as M'Neil was gone in the Morning, borrow'd his Landlord's Gun, in order, as he said, to kill Squirrels; but he had not been long gone before he return'd with the Gun broken close by the Lock; which he said, happen'd by striking upon a Tree to get down a Squirrel that he had killed. By this Time M'Neil was miss'd by some of his Companions who waited for him on the Road, and imagining he had lost himself in the Woods, went in search of him, and had not been long gone before they found his Horse, and at a little Distance, to their very great Surprise, his dead Body and Goods, with part of a Gun cover'd over with Leaves, and all his Money gone. As soon as this Report spread, Turner made off, and being suspected for the Murderer, was pursu'd, and taken at Kinderhook. A considerable Sum of Money was found about him, which he said he got a privateering, and hid it in a Sand Hill ever since the Cessation of Arms; but this not proving satisfactory he was committed to Albany Goal.

We hear from Middletown, in New-Jersey, that about ten Days ago, William Rogers of that Place, handling a Gun in his House which prov'd to be loaded, by some Means or other went off, and shot his Wife dead on the Spot.

PHILADELPHIA, October 25.

Several Vessels, which arriv'd here since our last, give Accounts of their meeting with a violent Gale of Wind, or Hurricane, on the sixth and seventh Instant. Captain Reeve, in the Ship Lydia, from London, being in Latitude 39 Longitude 66, 40, found it come on very violent from the S. E. between five and six a Clock in the Morning on the 7th; when it rain'd hard, with a prodigious high Sea. At six a Clock they cut away their Mizemast, Sail and Yart; the Mainfail blew loose, and split to Pieces, as did likewise the Maintop Gallant Sail, Maintopmast Stayfail, Spritfail, and Mizem Stayfail: Both Topfails split, and almost all the Running Rigging broke, the Maintopmast sprung, and the Ship look'd like a Wreck, but prov'd tight. At eight the Storm abated a little; at 9 the Wind veer'd to W. S. W. at 10 to W, and more moderate: And at Noon it was near over. Captain Reeve afterwards spoke with a Schooner from New York bound to St. Kitts.

The Schooner Betsey, Capt. Harriot from St. Kitts, being in Lat. 35, 29. Long. 71, 30, W. from London, met with it on the 6th of October about 6 at Night. Wind at S. E. It blew with great Violence, and lasted near 8 Hours; during which 3 of his Hands were washed overboard, but one of them was saved. The Water Casks, Caboose, Boat, and every Thing on Deck washed overboard; and his Crutch, and Cheek of the Windlass, carried away, and they were obliged to cut away the Mainmast. For 14 Days after they had nothing to subsist on but raw Beef, Bread wet with salt Water, and about 28 Gallons of fresh Water. Before the Gale they saw a Sloop from Arguilla, Capt. Hodge, for this Place; and after the Gale spoke with a Sloop from Carolina bound to Boston; and a Sloop from Providence for Rhode-Island, which had not been in the Gale.

Capt. Gurnay Wall, in the Ship Whitehill, from London, met with it on the 7th, being then in Lat. 39, 10, Long. 70. It blew at S. S. E. and then flew about to W. N. W. and tho' she had no Sail set, it laid her down on her Beam Ends. She shipp'd several Seas, which wash'd overboard three Men, with almost every Thing that was on Deck, but the Men were saved. The Coals and Chalk in her Hold shifted; and they concluded to cut

away her Main and Mizem Masts; but on cutting some of the Shrouds they both blew away, and she righted a little, when they got her before the Wind. After the Gale Capt. Wall had one Hand drowned.

Capt. Winter in the Ship Parkside, from Jamaica, met with it on the 6th, at S. S. E. about 3 in the Afternoon, and it held till 11 at Night. He was then in Lat. 32, Long. 71, West from London. The Ship lay near two Hours on her Beam heads, and had 3 Feet Water in her Hold. The Wind shifted to S. W. and blew more violently, so that they were obliged to cut away the Maintopmast, and, to get clear of it, cut away the Main yard, some of the Rigging getting foul of it. The Sprit-fail blew away from the Yard. On the eighth he spoke with the Sloop Molly of St. Kitts, Capt. Peter Read, bound to New York, who had cut away his Mast in the Storm, lost his Compasses, and all his Bread. Captain Winter supplied him with some Bread and a Compass headed up in a tight Case, and drawn by a Line, not being able to get his Boat out.

Capt. Dowers, from Lisbon, and Capt. Aston, from Jamaica, were also in the same Gale, but had it not so violent; so that their Damage was inconsiderable.

The Sloop Flying Fish, Isaac Cormoran Master, bound to North-Carolina from this Place, was cast away on her Passage, about the tenth of last Month; the People and Cargo sav'd.

Saturday last Thomas Ru h was executed for the Murder of Charles Quigg. At the Place of Execution he confessed, that there was none concern'd with him in the horrid Deed: He seem'd to be very penitent, and said, That if he had a thousand Lives, he could willingly part with them, if that would restore the Boy's Life; and hop'd that his Parents would forgive him; likewise the two innocent Men he endeavour'd to impeach when taken up.

Yesterday Capt. Kenney, from Fyali; Capt. Arthur, from Cork; Capt. Reeve, from Jamaica; Capt. Edwards, from Lisbon; and Capt. Cockson from Barbados, arriv'd here; none of which felt any thing of the above Storm.

(Continuation of the ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS, begun in No. 440.)

Monday, October 29, 1753.

NINE ingrossed Bills were brought into the House.

Post Meridiam. A Report from the Committee of Grievances was brought in and read, relating to the Growth of Popery in this Province, with several Affidavits, and a Representation from sundry of the Protestant Clergy on that Head.

A Bill, — To Repeal an Act for the Confirmation of Lands to Richard Bennett, Esq; therein mention'd; and, a Bill, — To enable the Persons therein named, to levy and apply the Money therein mention'd; were read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, — To improve the several Courts to order Commissioners for examining Witnesses residing beyond Sea, was brought down from the Upper House, with some proposed Amendments, with which the House agreed, and it passed for ingrossing.

The Bill, — Relating to St. Michael's Parish, was brought down from the Upper House, passed.

The Bill, — Impowering the Justices of Baltimore County to levy a Sum of Money in St. Paul's Parish, was read a second Time and passed.

A Message was sent to the Upper House, with the Bill, — To License Pedlars.

Then the House adjourn'd.

Tuesday, October 30.

On the second reading of the Bill, — For granting Fees to the Justices of the County Courts, the Question was put, Whether such Part of the Bill as repeals Part of the Act, intituled, An Act for granting Fees to the several Justices of the County Courts, be struck out, and that the several Fees mentioned in the said Bill be applied to the County use, or not. It was carried in the Negative. Nays 36. Yeas 9.

Then the Question was put, Whether 2000 lbs. of Tobacco, or 2500, shall be allowed in the said Bill, to the Justices in each County, for laying the Levy, &c. It was carried for 2000. Yeas 33. Nays 12.

Then the Question was put, Whether there shall be a Clause added for the Payment of the Justices of the Provincial Court, as well as of the County Courts, by Fees to be charged upon the several Suitsors therein, or not. It was carried in the Negative. Nays 31. Yeas 14.

Then the Question was put, Whether the Bill

should pass, or not. Carried in the Affirmative. Yeas 29. Nays 16.

Post Meridiam. The Bill, — For regulating judicial Proceedings; was read the second Time and passed.

The Bill, — Supplementary to an Act relating to Port Tobacco Parish, was read the first and second Time, by especial Order, and passed.

A Committee was appointed to tax the Fees relating to the controverted Election for Annapolis.

A Bill, — To make an Addition of 32 Lots to Baltimore Town; was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourn'd.

Wednesday, October 31.

Leave was given to bring in the three following Bills, viz. — To lay a Duty of Three half pence Sterl. per Hoghead, on all Tobacco, for the Use of the Governor; — For Processioning Lands; — And, Explanatory to the Act, intituled, An Act to Repeal a certain Act intituled, An Act to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province.

The Bill, — To License Hawkers, was brought down from the Upper House, with a Message.

A Bill, — To choose Vestrymen in St. Andrews Parish, and Visitors for St. Mary's County School, was read a first and second Time, by an especial Order, and passed.

Leave was given to bring in the three following Bills, viz. — For the Naturalization of Foreigners; — To reduce the Toll taken at Water-Mills; — And, To prevent Firing the Woods.

Post Meridiam. Leave was given to bring in the following Bills, viz. — To aid the Title of Purchasers of Lots in Prince's Anne Town, in Somerset County; — And, Explanatory to the Act, for the Marking of Highways, and making the Heads of Rivers, &c. passable for Horse and Foot.

Two Petitions were brought down from the Upper House, referred to the Consideration of the Lower House.

The Bill, — For repairing the public Roads, was brought down from the Upper House, with a Message, and passed for ingrossing.

The Bill, — To empower the Justices of Baltimore County, to Levy, &c. was brought down from the Upper House with a Negative.

Leave was given to bring in the five following Bills, viz. — To Repeal the Acts in 1704, and 1719, relating to Writts of ad quod damnum; — For regulating Justices of the Peace and Constables, relating to granting and serving of Warrants for small Debts; — To abolish June County Courts; — To Repeal the Act, relating to the Breed of Deer, and for the more effectual Preservation of Deer; — And, For the Relief of Persons accused of Crimes, and thereof acquitted.

The Bill, — Supplementary to prevent the injuring Harbours, was brought down from the Upper House, with a Negative.

Then the House adjourn'd.

Thursday, November 1.

The Bill, — For adding Thirty two Lots to Baltimore Town, was read the second Time, and passed.

An Address was presented to the Governor, relating to the late Receiver of Quit Rents, in District of Chester County.

The Bill, — For raising Three Half pence per Hoghead, was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, — For speedy Recovery of small Debts, was brought from the Upper House, passed, and was ordered to be ingrossed.

The Petition of St. Anne's Parish, was brought down from the Upper House, and read.

The Bill, — Supplementary to the Act, relating to Port Tobacco Parish, was brought from the Upper House, passed.

Post Meridiam. The Bill, — For Relief of Thomas Barkley, a Prisoner, in Kent County, was read a first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Petition from St. Mary's White Chapel Parish, to assess 550 l. for Building a new Church, was read and rejected.

A Bill, — For empowering the Justices of Prince-George's County, to levy in St. Paul's Parish, in said County, a Sum of Money for the Uses therein mention'd, was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Committee, appointed to Tax the Fees on the controverted Election, bring in their Report; and the House ordered, That Dr. Hamilton and Dr. Stuart, do pay the Fees, to the Clerk and Serjeant, as taxed by the Committee.

The House adjourn'd.

Friday, November 2.

The three following Bills; viz. — Impowering the Justices of Prince George's County to Levy, &c. — To enable the Persons therein named, to levy

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