

Return and say they have delivered it to Coll. Young from the
 Upper House. Deliver Mr Speaker the supplementary Bill to the act
 laying an Impostion on negroes. thus Endorsed Viz. By the
 Upper House of Assembly Oct 25th 1720 this bill being read with
 pag. with the following amendments to be inserted instead of the
 several words, marked therein Viz. first (buying) instead of importing
 2nd these words. (defrauding of the publick) instead of these next
 marked. 3rd. instead of these words. the like (which) 4th. where the Law
 proposes the oath to be taken these words. (such owner or owners,
 are obliged to take the following oath. You A. B. (do swear that
 you are the true and only owners, of the ship E and have continued
 so ever since the time of the purchasing the Register. by you now
 produced and that you have not purchased the said Vessel nor
 obtained the Register of or said to the use of or intent for any other
 person or persons. whatsoever nor for the sake of Evading the payment
 of any duty in favour of any person or persons whatsoever that are not
 actually Residents within this province) 5th instead of the word Imme-
 diately following the said oath. within three months mark. I. I. thus following
 Viz. (provide that in case any Inhabitant of this Province Owning
 as aforesaid shall depart this Province (and go beyond the seas,
 about his Personal Affairs and shall not be absent therefrom
 for above the space of twelve months in case any Vessel should
 happen in his absence, to require his oath, as aforesaid such absent
 persons. oath. in such case may be dispensed until the
 Owners, Residents) of any thus be) taking the same. oath (and
 the benefit intended by the said before mentioned Act. shall
 be allowed, to the Owners, of such Vessels. Signed per Order John
 Deale Clerk of the House, which being read was sent to the
 Committee of Laws, to be amended. The Journal of the
 Committee, of accounts. was read and ordered. to be thus Endorsed
 Viz. Oct 25th 1720 Read and ordered to be by the Lower House of Asse-
 mly and signed per Order Mr Jefferson Clerk of the House
 and was sent, to the Upper House, by the Gentlemen of that House
 they return and say they have delivered it to a Supplementary
 Bill to an Act. Laying an Impostion on negroes, & brought
 down. from the Committee of Laws, was read with the amendments
 proposed (and prop) for Engraving and was sent to the Committee
 of Laws to be engraven. Coll. Ward and Thomas Bordley
 Esq. from the Upper House, Deliver Mr Speaker the supplementary
 Bill to the Act. ascertaining the bounds of Law with the following
 Message Viz. By the Upper House, of Assembly Oct 25th 1720
 Upon Reading and considering the supplementary act. to the
 act.