

*Nicholas Lowe*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Paper Bill, entitled, *An Act revising and continuing an Act of Assembly of this Province, entitled, An Act for the better Relief of poor Debtors*, thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

The ingross'd Bill, whereof this is the Original, is read and assented to by this House.

And the Paper Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Calvert County, to finish the Court-house of that County, by an Assessment on the Inhabitants thereof, as also for the Relief of John Critchard and William Kidd, two of the Builders of the said Court-house*; thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

The ingross'd Bill, whereof this is the Original, is read and assented to by this House. And the Paper Bill, entitled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act for the Establishment of Religious Worship in this Province*, thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

The ingross'd Bill, whereof this is the Original, is read and assented to by this House.

The ingross'd Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of Francis Garteril, of Anne-Arundel County*, read and assented to by this House, was sent to the Upper House by Mr. Kennard and Mr. Edmundson; who return and say they delivered the same.

The ingross'd Bill, entitled, *An Act for dividing of St. Paul's Parish in Queen Anne's, and Part of Talbot County*; read and assented to by this House. Sent to the Upper House by Mr. Hemsley and Mr. Thomson; who return and say they delivered the same.

Mr. Samuel Hanson, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill entitled, *An Act for the better Administration of Justice in Testamentary Affairs, granting of Administrations, Recovery of Legacies, securing Filial Portions, and Distribution of Intestates Estates, &c.* and for Repealing the several Laws therein mentioned.

*John Beale*, Esq; from the Committee of Accounts, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Journal of Accounts for this Year.

*John Hall*, Esq; delivers to Mr. Speaker the Paper Bill, entitled, *An Act for dividing of St. Paul's Parish in Queen Anne's, and Part of Talbot County*, thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

The ingross'd Bill, whereof this is the Original, is assented to by this House.

And the Paper Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of Francis Garteril, of Anne-Arundel County*, thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

The ingross'd Bill, whereof this is the Original, is assented to by this House: And the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of Jonathan Covill, of Prince George's County*, thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

Read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table: And thus,

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

Read the second Time, and will not pass.

*Philemon Lloyd*, Esq; delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Message, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

Gentlemen,

Mr. Charles Carroll having petition'd this House to be heard, against a Bill for Relief of poor Prisoners, produc'd a Bill of Sale or Mortgage (which is herewith sent) from *Nathaniel Wright*, one of the Prisoners in the said Bill mention'd; for Four Negroes, which said Negroes, notwithstanding they became forfeited to him, he saith were by the said *Nathaniel* disposed of, or conveyed away, so that he the said *Charles*, could never find or recover them. We therefore think it reasonable, that a Clause be added to the said Bill, obliging the said *Nathaniel* to declare upon Oath, before he is releas'd from his Imprisonment, what became of those Negroes, whether they are living or dead, and if living, in whose Possession they are, and by what Right held. We likewise think it necessary, that *Samuel Stephens*, a Criminal Prisoner in *Anne-Arundel County* Prison, be obliged to give Security for his good Behaviour during his Continuance in this Province, before he is released: With which Additions this Bill will pass.

And the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of several poor Prisoners*, thus Indors'd, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 28, 1728.

Read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table: And thus,

By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1728.

Read the second Time, and (with the Amendments propos'd in the Message herewith sent) will pass.

*James Hollyday*, Esq; is ordered to send for several Sorts of Stationary, for the Use of this Province.

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; delivers to Mr. Speaker the Report from the Conferrees of both Houses, appointed to consider of Amendments propos'd to be made to the Tobacco Bill; which was read in the following Words, viz.

October 30, 1728. By the Committee of both Houses appointed to inspect the Tobacco Bill sent from the Lower to the Upper House.

*Philemon Lloyd*, and *Philip Lee*, Esqrs; appointed by the Upper House, propose to Mr. Harris, Mr. Dulany, Mr. King, and Mr. Key, appointed by this House, the following Amendments,

1. To compleat the Restraining Clause, and to guard against White Women Servants.
2. That the Number of Plants to be allowed to single Taxables, and Femes Sole, be (instead of 12000) 10000.
3. That Labourers under 16 Years old, belonging to poor People, be limited (instead of 6000) to 5000.
4. That no Person that has Six Taxable Workers or more in Tobacco, shall be allowed to plant any Tobacco for themselves.
5. That those appointed, shall begin the 20th of July, to cut up Slips and Suckers, and so to proceed as shall be necessary.
6. That the Penalty be exactly upon the second, as on the first Refuser.
7. That the Election of paying Money, be by the 10th of April; and the Sheriff be oblig'd to make his Return by the last of June.
8. That no Deduction be now settled, but where the Charges are already reduced to a Certainty, viz. for the Maintenance of Poor, or any piece of Service that there may be Occasion of doing; because the Persons that make the Allowance