

Notes and Resolves,

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Lower House of Assembly of the Province of M A R Y L A N D.

(Tuesday, August 5, 1729.)

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were call'd over, and all present as were Yesterday in the Afternoon. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read over.

The Bill, Intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Thomas Worsley, &c.* was read and pass'd, with the Amendments propos'd, for Ingrossing.

The Question was put, Whether the Bill, Intituled, *An Act to emit Twenty Four Thousand Pounds Current Money in Bills of Credit, &c.* should be sent to the Upper House, with a Message, to reinforce it, or not? Resolv'd in the Negative.

Capt. Gordon appears in the House this Day.

The following Message being prepared, was ordered to be entered thus :

By the Lower House of Assembly, August 5, 1729.

May it please your Honours,

In Answer to your Message of the Twenty Fifth of July, by John Rousby, Esq; we propose the Dimension of the Repositories therein mentioned, be Sixteen Feet in Length, Twelve Feet wide in the Clear, Eight Feet Pitch, to be built of Brick, Arched over, and covered with Tile or Slate; to have Two Windows on each Side, and Shutters, and Iron-Bars: And, in the Inside of the House, Boxes for the Books to be put in, and a Table; and erected within the Stadt-House Circle: With which we desire your Honours to concur.

Sign'd per Order, M. Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

And sent to the Upper House, by Major Hanson, and Capt. Gordon; who return, and say they delivered the same.

The ingross'd Bill, Intituled, *An Act providing what shall be good Evidence to prove Foreign and other Debts, &c.* was read and assented to by this House. And sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Major King, and Mr. Chamberlain; who return, and say they delivered the same.

Col. Ward, from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Paper Bills, viz. The Bill, Intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Christopher Gardiner, a languishing Prisoner in Baltimore County Goal.* The Bill, Intituled, *An Act against Ingrossers and Reagrators.* The Bill, Intituled, *An Act to aid the Proceedings of some of the County Courts within this Province.* The Bill, Intituled, *An Act for raising a Duty of Three-Pence per Hoghead on all Tobacco's, &c.*

The Bill, Intituled, *An Act providing what shall be good Evidence, to prove Foreign and other Debts, &c.* Severally thus Indors'd :

By the Upper House of Assembly, August 4, 1729.

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

Sign'd per Order, John Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

The Paper Bill, Intituled, *An Act reviving and continuing an Act, Intituled, An Act to restrain the ill Practices of Attorneys, &c.* Indors'd thus :

By the Upper House of Assembly, August 4, 1729.

Read and pass'd for Ingrossing.

Sign'd per Order, John Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

And the ingross'd Bill thereof, Indors'd thus: August 5, 1729. Read and assented to by the Upper House of Assembly.

Sign'd per Order, John Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

The ingross'd Bill, Intituled, *An Act reviving and continuing an Act, Intituled, An Act to restrain the ill Practices of Attorneys, &c.* was read and assented to by this House.

The Paper Bill, Intituled, *An Act reviving and continuing an Act, Intituled, An Act to restrain the ill Practices of Attorneys, &c.* Indors'd thus :

By the Lower House of Assembly, August 5, 1729.

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

Sign'd per Order, M. Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Was sent to the Upper House, by Col. Gale, and Mr. Key; who return, and say they delivered the same.

Col. Belt, from the Committee of Aggrievances, and Courts of Justice, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report, viz.

By the Committee of Aggrievances, and Courts of Justice, August 5, 1729.

Your Committee have examined the several Commissions granted to the several Courts of Judicature within this Province; And do find that the Commission to the Provincial Court, by which they now act, is not agreeable to the Oath of Judge or Justice: For, in that Commission, the Words are, *To keep, or cause to be kept all and singular, the reasonable good Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances of that Part of the Kingdom of Great-Britain, call'd England, &c.* And in the Oath, it is thus mention'd, *According to the Directions of the Acts of Assembly of this Province so far forth as they provide; And where they are silent, According to the Laws, Statutes, and reasonable Customs of England, agreeable to the Usage, and Constitution of this Province, &c.*

And your Committee further find, that the Commission now granted the Commissary-General of Maryland, differs very much from the Commission granted to the late Commissary-General. And therefore your Committee refer the Inspection of the said Commissions to the House for their Consideration therein.

Sign'd per Order, N. Hammond, Cl. Com.

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