

YOUR Honour's Wishes, that Wisdom and Moderation, may direct our Councils, and the Assurances you have been pleased to give us of your Inclination to advance our real Happiness, not only deserves our most thankful Acknowledgements, but ought to excite us, as we hope it will, to act with the greatest Zeal and Unanimity, in the Service of our Country, under a firm Reliance on your Concurrence with us in the Means; Which never were more necessary, than at this Juncture.

Sign'd per Order of the House, per

May 22, 1730.

JOHN MACKALL, Speaker.

They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they presented the same.

Mr. Kirk appeared in the House this Afternoon.

The Question being put, Whether this House should first proceed to consider of a Tobacco-Law, or for the Appointment of an Agent in Great-Britain? *Resolv'd*, that the House first proceed to consider of a Tobacco-Law.

The Question being put, Whether a Bill should be prepared for the Amendment of the Staple of Tobacco, or not? *Resolv'd* in the Affirmative.

The Question being put, Whether in the Tobacco Bill, to be prepared, the Restriction shall be to a Number of Plants, or to a Number of Pounds? *Resolv'd*, that the Restriction be to a Number of Plants.

The Question being put, Whether the Quantity of Plants to be allowed, be 6000 or 5000? *Resolv'd*, that the Quantity be 6000.

The Question being put, Whether an Equivalent shall not be made, in Country Commodities, for the Part to be deducted in Tobacco Payments, by the Tobacco-Law, to be prepared, or not? *Resolv'd* in the Affirmative, *Nemine Contradicente*.

The Question being put, Whether in Tobacco-Debts, a Fourth should be deducted, or more? *Resolv'd*, that more be deducted.

Resolv'd, That it is necessary, for the People of this Province, to have an Agent in Great-Britain, to transact their Publick Affairs there.

The Question being put, Whether a Bill shall be prepared for a Paper-Currency, or not? *Resolv'd* in the Affirmative.

Mr. Wharfield is ordered to go and acquaint the Rev. Mr. Humphrey's, this House desires him to read Prayers, during this Session, at the Time used in other Assemblys; who returned, and acquainted Mr. Speaker, with the delivery of his Message.

The House adjourns until To-morrow Morning, at Eight of the Clock.



(Saturday, May 23, 1730.)

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all were present, as Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

The Petition of John Libby, of Talbot County, was read and granted. *Order'd*, That altho' this Petition was received without Recommendation from the Justices of the County, (particular Circumstances being attendant