

Indors'd thus:

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

By the Upper House of Assembly, June 11, 1730.

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

Mr. Peter Taylor appeared in the House this Morning.

The House adjourns until Two of the Clock in the Afternoon.

(Thursday, Two of the Clock in the Afternoon.)

The House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all present, as in the Morning.

A Bill, Intituled, *An Act to enable the Clerk of Dorchester County, to deliver a Deed of Bargain and Sale from the Heirs of Henry Gray, to William Cornwallis, unto Richard Benner, Esq; and to enable the Clerk of Queen-Anne's County, to deliver a Deed of Sale from the Heirs of John Jones, to the said Cornwallis, to the Clerk of Dorchester County; and to enable him to record the same,* was read the first and second Time, by an especial Order, and passed; and sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. Edmundson; who return, and say they delivered the same.

Col. Ward, from the Upper House, delivered to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, Intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Thomas Worsley, &c.*

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Read a second Time, and will pass; there being inserted, after the Word *Effect*, in 8th Line of 9th Page, the Words following; and if the said Prisoners Effects shall not be sufficient to pay and satisfy to the Sheriff, his Imprisonment Fees, that then each respective Prisoner shall, after his or her Release out of Prison, be liable to pay and satisfy to the said Sheriff, the Residue of his Imprisonment Fees; provided that the said Sheriff shall not prosecute and imprison such Prisoner, within Two Years after his Releasement.

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

Col. Holland, and John Hall, Esq; from the Upper House, acquainted Mr. Speaker, that the Governour required the Presence of him, and the rest of the Members of this House, immediately in the Upper House. Mr. Speaker, and the other Members went, where the Governour, in the usual Manner, passed the Bill, Intituled, *An Act improving the Staple of Tobacco, &c. into a Law.* Mr. Speaker, and the rest of the House returned. Mr. Speaker resum'd the Chair.

Mr. Key had Leave to go home.

Col. Tighman, from the Upper House, delivered to Mr. Speaker, the following Message, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, June 11, 1730.

Gentlemen,

In Answer to your Message, by Col. Herman, and Mr. Beale, this House esteem it more equal, that instead of giving the Option to the Members of your House to take or refuse Money at the Rate of Ten Shillings for every Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, the Members of each House, for a Time not exceeding Six Days, be obliged to take Current Money in the Treasurers Hands of each Shoar, at the Rate of Ten Shillings per Cent. in Lieu of Tobacco.

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

By the Lower House of Assembly, June 11, 1730.

The following Message, viz.

May it please your Honours,

We cannot consent to the Amendment proposed by your Honours to the Bill for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, since such a Clause will be inconsistent with the Design of the Bill, and would be a Means of driving those poor People out of the Province, and render some of them incapable to maintain their Families, with such Things as are necessary for their Subsistence: Besides, this House cannot conceive any Reason for preferring the Sheriffs Fees to Debts due to other Creditors; for it is certain, the Expence the Sheriffs are usually at, in supporting Prisoners is very inconsiderable, in Comparison with what they are allowed for it. And it appears, by an Act of Parliament past in the second Year of his present Majesty's Reign, for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, that no such Preference is given; but on the contrary, all Prisoners who should take the Oath prescribed by that Statute, if detained for Imprisonment Fees, &c. and upon no other Account, should be discharged; which this House conceives to be a very proper Example for the Legislature of this Province to follow: We therefore desire your Honours will pass the Bill as it now stands.

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

And the Bill for the Relief of several poor Prisoners, were sent to the Upper House, by Major King, and Mr. Johnson; who return, and say they delivered the same.

Philemon Lley'd, Esq; delivered to Mr. Speaker, the Paper Bill, Intituled, *An Act altering the Bounds of Two Acres of Land heretofore granted to Great Choprank Parish, &c.* The Paper Bill, Intituled, *An Act for building a Church in Baltimore County, &c.* The Paper Bill, Intituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act, Intituled, Act for the laying out of Land, and erecting a Town in St. Mary's County, &c.* And the Paper Bill, Intituled, *An Act to enable the High Court of Appeals to continue an Appeal therein depending, &c.*

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

BY Order of the Lower House of Assembly, I do authorize and appoint William Parks to print the Votes and Proceedings of the said House,

JOHN MACKALL, Speaker.