

Mr. *Dulany*,
 Col. *Gale*,
 Major *King*,
 Mr. *Stoughton*,
 Mr. *Harris*,
 Col. *Ennalls*,

} of the Lower House.

The Committee chose *John Rousby*, Esq; Chairman; and appointed *Thomas Clark*, to be their Clerk.

Your Committee having considered and examined the Papers laid before us, consisting only of Lists of Shipping, entered and cleared in *Patuxent*, from *September 29, 1729*, to *September 29, 1730*; and several Lists of Shipping entered and cleared in *Oxford*, from *September 29, 1727*, to *September 29, 1728*; containing Accounts of the Imports and Exports in both Places; and an Account of Imports and Exports into and from *Annapolis*, from *August 26, 1729*, to *August 26, 1731*; which are insufficient to enable us to give any certain or particular Information or Assistance to His Excellency the Governour, in giving Answers to the Queries mentioned in His Speech to both Houses, at the Beginning of this Session. And as your Committee apprehend, that giving true, perfect, and exact Answers to the said Queries, is of great Importance to the Country, so we conceive the best Measures ought to be taken, to be truly informed; which your Committee conceives to be a careful Examination of the Entries of all the several Naval Officers within this Province; which Entries cannot be had, during the Continuance of this Session. Therefore, your Committee conceive it would be proper, and propose, that both Houses join in an Application to His Excellency the Governour, to order the said Officers to lay the Copies of the said Entries, for such a Number of Years past as shall be thought proper, before the Committee to be appointed to lay the Publick Levy, or such of them as both Houses shall agree on; all which is submitted to the Consideration of both Houses, by your Committee.

Sign'd per Order, Thomas Clark, Cl. Com.

On Reading the said Report, the House approve thereof; and appoint the Gentlemen of the Committee appointed by this House, to join with such Members as shall be appointed by the Upper House, to prepare an Address to the Governor, to obtain His Order to the several Officers, to lay Copies of their Entries before the Committee, when appointed. And *Order'd*, that it be an Instruction to the Members of this House, to give the Governor as good an Account as they can, of the State of the Trade of the Province.

On Reading the Amendments proposed by the Upper House, to the Bill, entituled, *an Act to make and emit Thirty Six Thousand Pounds Current Money, in Bills of Credit, &c.* the House agree to make the several Amendments; and *Ordered* the same to be done accordingly.

The following Message, *viz.*

By the Lower House of Assembly, September 1, 1731.

May it please your Honours,

This House, on Reading the Report from the Committee of both Houses, appointed to examine the Entries of the several Officers, concerning the Exports, approve of the same; and have appointed the Gentlemen of this House that were of that Committee, to join any Members your House shall appoint, as a Committee to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor, in Relation to the Subject Matter of the said Report.

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

Was sent to the Upper House, by Major *King*, and Col. *Ennalls*; who return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the same.

The Bill, entituled, *an Act for Reviving an Act for Trial of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties, &c.* was read, and with the Amendments proposed, passed for Ingrossing.

The House adjourns 'till To-morrow Morning, Eight of the Clock.

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