

An ingross'd Bill, entituled, *an Act for the Trial of all Matters of Facts in the severall Counties, &c.* was read. The Question was put, that the said Bill be assented to? *Resolved*, in the Negative.

*Philip Lee*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivered to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entituled, *an Act ascertaining the Form of the Oath of Judge or Justice*, indorsed thus:

By the Upper House of Assembly, 23 August, 1731.  
Read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

And thus: *Sign'd per Order, J. Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*  
By the Upper House of Assembly, 2 September, 1731.

Read the Second Time, and will pass, with the following Amendments; the Word *The* in the First Line of 2d. Page to be left out, and the Word *such* inserted, and between the Words *England* and *agreeable*; put the Words *as are*,

*Sign'd per Order, J. Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*  
The House adjourns 'till Two of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Thursday Afternoon, September 2, 1731.

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

The Bill, entituled, *an Act ascertaining the Form of the Oath of Judge or Justice*; was read, and with the Amendments proposed by the Upper House, passed for Ingrossing.

The Bill, entituled, *an Act to make and emit Thirty Six Thousand Pounds Current Money of Maryland, in Bills of Credit, &c.* was read, and with the Amendments proposed by the Upper House, passed for Ingrossing.

The Bill, entituled, *an Act for the Amendment of the Staple of Tobacco, &c.* was read the Second Time, and Rejected; and sent to the Upper House; by Col. *Gale*, and Five more; who return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they delivered the same.

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

Friday Morning Sept. 3, 1731.

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

The following Message, *viz.*

By the Lower House of Assembly, Sept. 3, 1731:

May it please your Honours,

This House hath taken into Consideration, the Amendments proposed by your Honour, to the Bill, for laying out the Town now called Marlborough; and believe your Honours are misinformed, concerning Mr. *Gant* and Mr. *Sprigg's* having an Interest in the Town, (and their Character and Probity, are unquestionable.) 'Tis true, they are related to some, who are Interest'd there; and if such Relation, is an Objection to their Acting as Commissioners, *Philip Lee*, Esq; and Mr. *Contee*, proposed by your Honours, are liable to the same Objection, they being related to Persons interest'd in the said Town: And therefore, to the End all Disputes concerning the Commissioners named in the Bill, or proposed by your Honours, we propose, that *John Stoddart* and *Robert Pottinger*, Persons skilled in Surveying, and no way interest'd nor related to any that is, be appointed in the Room of Mr. *Gant*, and Mr. *Sprigg*. One Penny current Money, is the Rent reserved for every Lott, in all other Towns lately laid out; and we cannot conceive any Reason for making a Difference in this Instance. We agree to changing the Name to *Maryborough*.

There never was yet any such Appeal, as your Honours propose, from the Determination of the Commissioners; and we conceive, that such Appeal would discourage People from taking up Lotts, for fear of involving themselves