

Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table. *Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*

And thus:

*By the Upper House of Assembly, August 3, 1732.*

On reading and considering the within Bill, We are of Opinion, that the Duties of Twenty Shillings Sterling, and Twenty Shillings Currency, already impos'd by former Acts of Assembly, are sufficient to hinder the Importation of *Irish* Papists, into this Province: Besides, we are apprehensive, that if we should lay too great a Duty upon them, it might induce some Persons, who may think themselves injured by it, to make such Representations of the Case, as might occasion the taking off the whole Duty: And therefore, we desire that Part of the Bill, imposing an Additional Duty of Twenty Shillings Sterling, may be omitted; with which Amendment, this Bill will pass.

*Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*

Which Bill was read here, and with the Amendments propos'd, pass'd for ingrossing.

*George Plater, Esq;* from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker, the Bill, intituled, *An Act for raising a Duty of Three Half Pence per Hogshead, to the Governor, on all Tobacco exported out of this Province.* And the Bill, intituled, *An Act for raising a Duty of Three Half Pence per Hogshead, on all Tobacco exported out of this Province, towards the Encouragement of Publick Schools within this Province.*

Severally indors'd thus:

*By the Upper House of Assembly, 2 August, 1732.*

Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

*Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. U. Ho.*

And thus:

*By the Upper House of Assembly, 3 August, 1732.*

Read the second Time, and will not pass.

*Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*

*Michael Howard, Esq;* from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker, the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of James Gibson, &c.* And the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Relief of Robert Brooks, &c.*

And the following Message, viz.

*By the Upper House of Assembly, 3 August, 1732.*

Gentlemen,

*Alexander Simms, and Archibald Johnson,* mentioned in one of the Bills sent us with your Message having as now appears to us by proper Certificates from the County Clerks, to which they belong given due Notice to their Creditors, that they would apply to the Legislature, for the Relief prayed by the said Bills. We agree that the said *Simms,* and *Johnson,* shall be relieved in the Manner prayed by those Bills; but as to the other Debtors therein, we cannot, albeit, we have duly consider'd your Message, agree to the passing a Bill for their Enlargement, as desired by your Message.

*Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*

Col. *Rider,* from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker, the following Message, viz.

*By the Upper House of Assembly, 3 August, 1732.*

Gentlemen,

This House doth agree to the Allowances to be made to the Members of this Assembly, at the Rate of Ten Shillings current Money, for every Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, for the Time mentioned in your Message of this Day, by Mr. *Goldsborough,* and Mr. *Needles.*

*Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*

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



Fryday Morning, August 4, 1732.

Numb. XXII.

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

A Bill, intituled, *An Act for raising a Duty of Three Pence per Hogshead, on all Tobacco exported out of this Province, for the Uses therein mention'd.*

Read the first and second Time, by an especial Order, and pass'd. And sent to the Upper House by Col. *Herman,* and Capt. *D'Jhiel.* They return, and say they deliver'd the same.

An ingross'd Bill, intituled, *An Act repealing Part of an Act, intituled, An Act laying an Imposition on Negroes, &c.*

An ingross'd Bill, intituled, *A supplementary Act to the Act for Stay of Executions after the Tenth of May.* And an ingross'd Bill, intituled, *An Act ascertaining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco Hogsheads.*

Severally read and assented to; and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bills, by Mr. *Hemsley,* and Mr. *Sheredine.* They return, and say they delivered the same.

The following Letter from the Governour, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

Whereas, I am inform'd by several Officers of the Militia, that the Act of Assembly now in Force, for regulating the Militia, does not effectually answer the End for which it was made; that the Officers have not sufficient Power to oblige the Private Men to appear at Musters, and learn the necessary Discipline, that sufficient Provision is not made for preserving and cleaning the Arms, and other Utensils of War lodg'd in the several Counties, so that many of them are already spoiled and lost, and the rest continually impairing; I therefore recommend to your Consideration, the making such Provision relating thereunto, as in your Discretion shall be thought necessary.

SAMUEL OGLE.

Was sent to Mr. Speaker.

An ingross'd Bill, intituled, *An Act for erecting a Town at the Bridge near the Head of Great Choptank River, &c.*

Read and assented to; and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill, by Capt. *Hooper,* and Capt. *Elliot.* They return, and say they deliver'd the same.

*Benjamin Tasker, Esq;* from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill, intituled, *An Act to explain Part of an Act,* intituled, *An Act for the Advancement of Justice.*

Indors'd thus:

*By the Upper House of Assembly, 3 August, 1732.*

Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

*Sign'd per Order, John Rofs, Cl. Up. Ho.*

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