

Thursday Morning, April 17, 1735.

THE House met, according to Adjournment. Mr. Kennard hath Leave to go Home.
The Bill, entituled, *An Act for Licensing Hawkers and Pedlars, &c.* read; and, with the Amendments propos'd, pass'd for Ingrossing.

The Bill, entituled *An Act concerning divers Felonies*, is refer'd to the Consideration of the next Session of Assembly.

The following Message:

May it please your Honours,

By the Lower House of Assembly, April 17, 1735.

In Answer to your Message of Yesterday, by the Hon. Philip Lee, Esq; this House is of Opinion, the readiest Method to obtain the desired Effect, will be by a Conference of both Houses; and in order thereto, hath appointed Daniel Dulany, Esq; Col. Gale, Col. Hooper, Mr. Hammond, and Mr. Key, to join any Members your Honours shall appoint.

Sign'd, per Order, M. Macnemara, Cl^r Lo. House.

Sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Magruder, and Col. Belt.

Ordered, A Bill be brought in, to repeal an Act against Ingrossers and Regrators.

A Bill, entituled, *An Act to record a Deed of Mortgage, from a certain Thomas Howell, of Kent County, to Edward Beck, of the said County, Attorney in Fact for a certain Casper Hoodt*: Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

Ordered, A supplementary Bill to the several Acts for Administration of Justice, be brought in.

A Bill, entituled, *An Act revising an Act for the Relief of Prisoners for Debt*: Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

Ordered, A Bill be brought in, for the Preservation of Harbours. And another, to ascertain the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco-Hogsheads, &c.

It being mov'd by a Member, That the Transcripts of the Records, made by *Evan Jones*, are not agreeable to the Original Records; the Consideration thereof, is refer'd to the next Session of Assembly.

The House adjourns 'till Two o' Clock in the Afternoon.

Thursday, Post Meridiem.

A Bill, entituled, *An Act for Preservation of Harbours*: Read the first Time. And the Question was put, Whether the Bill should have a second Reading Tomorrow? Resolv'd in the Affirmative.

A Bill, entituled, *An Act to supply some Defects in an Act, entituled, an additional and supplementary Act to the several Acts for the Administration of Justice in Testamentary Affairs*: Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

A Bill, entituled, *An Act repealing an Act, entituled, an Act against Ingrossers and Regrators*: Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

The Petition of *Thomas Marshall*, read; and Leave given to bring in a Bill, according to Prayer. Philip Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker, the following Message:

By the Upper House of Assembly, 17 April, 1735.

Gentlemen,

We have appointed Philip Lee, and Michael Howard, Esqrs. to join the Gentlemen named in your Message of this Day, by Messieurs Belt and Magruder, to confer of the Matter contained therein, inmediately.

Sign'd, per Order, John Rols, Cl^r Up. Ho.

Mr. Matthews, from the Committee of Aggrievances, delivers Mr. Speaker the following Report:

By the Committee of Aggrievances, and Courts of Justice, pursuant to the Order of the Lower House, for Inspecting the Publick Records, April 17, 1735.

Your Committee having inspected the Records in the Commissary's Office, and also the Report of the Committee of both Houses of Assembly, made on the 13th Day of June, 1730. in relation to the Inventories missing in the said Office, and not recorded, do find, That, pursuant to the Order of both Houses, on the said Report, Mr. Vachel Denton hath entered, in a Book by him prepar'd for that purpose, such of the Inventories contained in the List of Inventories missing, annex'd to the said Report (of which the Originals were lost, during the Time *William Beckinghams* was Clerk under the said Mr. Vachel Denton, then Register of the Commissary's Office) as he could hitherto procure Copies of, which are as follow:

Thomas Wilmot, Calvert County. Nicholas Vandergrift, and Roger Larimore, of Cecil Conny. Matthew Riner, and William Worrell, of Kent County. Samuel Hardy, of Somerset County.

That all the Inventories in the List annex'd to the said Report, of those that were found in the Office, and not Recorded, are, by the said Denton, likewise entered in the same Book. That the remaining Inventories then reported to be missing, we do not find Recorded. And your Committee having inspected the Records of the said Office, do find, That on all the Estates for which Inventories were returned, that were reported in the List herein refer'd to, to be missing, Accounts are past and Recorded; except *Charles Rideoley, of Anne-Arundel County. John Honaghane of Talbot County. John Wharton, Benjamin Johnson, and John Houlder, of Somerset County.*

We have also further examined the said Office, in which the principal Part of the Business is, from the Returns that are daily made by the several Deputy-Commissaries, That the Wills, Inventories, and Accounts, are regularly recorded 'till May last, 1734. That the original Papers appear to your Committee to be carefully preserved and laid up in distinct Bundles of the different Proceedings in the said Office, so far as they are hitherto sorted, which is in the Year 1731; and that the Record-Books in the said Office, are in good Order and Repair.

Sign'd per Order, John Gibson, Cl^r Com.

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