

Mr. Gilbert Crockett, Receiver for the Farmers of Baltimore County, declares, That by the first Instructions he had from Mr. Samuel Chew, deceased, in his Life-time, and Mr. Philip Thomas, he was to receive Spanish Silver at 50 per Cent. Pistoles at 15s. 6d. Sterling, Moidores at 25s. Sterling, and cut Gold at 3s. Sterling per Penny Weight.

By Mr. Crockett's last Instruction from Mr. John Galloway, and Doctor Samuel Chew, which last Instruction was produced to the Committee, the following Paragraph was inserted, viz. Where the Necessities of People oblige them to pay Foreign whole Gold, cut Gold, Foreign Silver, or Paper Money, as it may be thought a Hardship absolutely to refuse them, you are to take them on no other Terms than at the following Rates, viz. Moidores at 25s. Pistoles at 15s. French Guineas at 21s. cut Gold at 2s. 9d. a Penny Weight, whole Pieces of Eight at 6s. per Cent. other Spanish Silver at Two for One, Dollars at 2s. 3d. and Paper Money at 200 per Cent.

The Report was read, and the Contents thereof was immediately taken into Consideration.

Mr. Philip Thomas, Doctor Samuel Chew, Mr. John Galloway, and Mr. Gilbert Crockett, ordered to attend the Bar of this House, to make Answer to the Facts in the Report contained; They attended accordingly.

On their being fully heard thereon, ordered to withdraw.

They were ordered to attend the House in the Afternoon.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following Letter, viz.

To the Hon. James Harris, Esq; Speaker of the Lower House of Assembly.

Sir,

Upon the strictest Search that I can make, I can't find His Lordship's last Instruction relating to cut Gold, which reduces it to Three Pounds the Ounce; yet I am very positive I had such a One, and to the best of my Remembrance, it was dated in the Year 1735. and I received it in April. 1736. If I could give you any further Satisfaction, I assure you, that I would very readily do it.

Sir, Your most humble Servant,

Benjamin Tasker.

The House adjourns till 2 o' Clock in the Afternoon.

Post Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment.

The House proceeds to consider the Report made by the Committee of Aggrievances, and deferred the further Consideration until Monday Morning next. Mr. Philip Thomas, Doctor Chew, Mr. John Galloway, and Mr. Gilbert Crockett, ordered to attend this House on Monday next.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act repealing an Act, intituled, An Act for Limitation of the Time of shipping Tobacco.* Read the second Time, passed, and sent to the Upper House, by Col. Gale, and Mr. Key.

The Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Ease and Encouragement of Settlers on the remote and back Parts of this Province.* Read the second Time, and with the following Amendments, will pass.

Amendments to the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Ease and Encouragement of Settlers on the remote and back Parts of this Province;* viz.

In the first Line of the Title, instead, of *the Settlers on the remote and back Parts of the Province,* put these Words, viz. *Sundry Inhabitants of this Province:* These Words after the Word *Tobacco,* in the 31 Line, put, *which is thought a very great Hardship on such Persons as do not, by themselves, Servants, or Slaves, make any Tobacco.* From the Word *and,* interlined between the second and third Line in the Body of the Bill, to the Word *Tobacco,* in the 11th Line to be left out. From the Word, *that,* in the 14th Line of the first Page, to the Word, *as, resaid,* in the first Line of the 3d Page, to be left out. From the Word, *who,* in the 2d Line of the third Page, to the Word, *and,* interlined between the 2d and 3d Line in the 3d Page, to be left out. From the Word *Slaves,* in the 3d Line of the 3d Page, to the Word *limit,* in the 4th Line of the 3d Page, to be left out.

From the Word *them,* in the 7th Line of the 3d Page, to the Word *Certificate,* in the same Line and Page, to be left out. The Two last Lines in the 3d, and the 4 Lines in the 4th Pages to be left out.

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

Sent to the Upper House, by Col. King, and Mr. Hammond.

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

Friday Morning, May 13, 1737.

THE House met according to Adjournment.

The Petition of Lewis Duvall, of Anne Arundel County, praying Leave to bring in a Bill, to cut off the Entail of a Tract of Land, called, *Wilson's Grove,* and to entail Lands in Lieu thereof. Read, and granted.

On Motion of a Member, Leave given to bring in a Bill, for giving further Time for proving Accounts, and for repealing part of an Act of Assembly therein mentioned.

Mr. Denton brings in a Bill, intituled, *An Act for giving further Time for proving Accounts, and for repealing part of An Act of Assembly therein mentioned.* Which was read the first Time. And the Question was put, Whether the said Bill should have a second Reading, or not? Resolved in the Negative.

George Plater, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker, the following Message.

Gentlemen,

By the Upper House of Assembly, 5 May, 1737.

This House being of Opinion, That the Bill, intituled, *An Act for the Ease and Encouragement of Settlers on the remote and back Parts of the Province,* as sent down from this House to your House, would, if passed into a Law, be of great Benefit and Advantage to the Province in general;