

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

Of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY.

Thursday Morning, May 10. 1739.

THE House Met according to Adjournment.

Doctor *Carroll*, from the Committee of Laws, brings in a Bill, Entituled, *An Act for the Benefit of the Poor, and Encouragement of Industry*: Which was *Read* the First Time, and *Ordered* to lie on the Table.

On Reading, the Second Time, the Bill, entituled, *An Act for continuing an Act of Assembly of this Province, entituled, An Act for the Trial of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties where they have arisen or shall arise, &c.* The Question was put, Whether the said Bill Pass, or not? *Resolved* unanimously in the Negative.

The Question was put, Whether there shall be a new Assize Bill brought in or not? *Resolved* in the Affirmative.

For the Affirmative,

Mr. Waughop,
—Read,
—Aisquith,
—Swann,
—Wilson,
—Harris,

Mr. Carroll,
—Smith,
—Weems,
—Courts,
—Middleton;
—Hanson,

Mr. Smallwood,
—King,
—Stoughton,
—Henry,
—Goldsborough,
—Edward Lloyd,

Mr. Robert Lloyd,
—Thomas,
—Trippe,
—Esnalls,
—Brannock,
—George,

Mr. Sheredine,
—Osborn Sprigg,
—Pemberton,
—Wilkinson.

For the Negative,

Mr. Hynson,
—Calder,
—Denton,

Mr. Gassaway,
—Hall,
—Gale,

Mr. Hooper.
—Colvill,
—Matthews,

Mr. Caswell,
—Edward Sprigg,
—Wootton

Mr. Magruder,
—Dalany,
—Clayton.

The Governor Communicated the following Answer to the Address of this House, *Viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

I Have perused your Address deliver'd to me by your Speaker, on the 5th Instant, and cannot but be very much surpris'd to find, that instead of such mutual Civilities as have usually pass'd at the Beginning of former Assemblies, your Address contains Charges against the Government in general, and Myself in particular, which I am confident are without Foundation, and which, I am very sorry to say, seem rather calculated to create Animosities and foment Differences, than to forward the Publick Good; however, I must own myself oblig'd to you, for giving me so fair and publick an Opportunity of Vindicating my