

in regard the Suitors in that Court were in the generality Persons not residing in this Province, and those who were not concerned in making Tobacco, and desired to know the Sense of the House, whether that Committee might not be empowered to Rate those Fees in Money.

Ordered by the House, that it be a Direction to the Committee to Rate the several Fees in the Admiralty Court in Money.

On Motion, Leave given to bring in a Bill to ascertain the Gauge of Barrels for Pork and Beef, and the neat Quantity to be contain'd therein.

Col. Gale, from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker, a Petition of Thomas Spaiding, and Catharine his Wife, Recommended from the Upper House, praying leave to bring in a Bill to dispose of an Estate in Fee Simple in a Tract of Land called Cooper's Purchase, upon Settlement of a Tract called Crackburn's Purchase for the same Estate, which Petition was Read, and Ordered, that Col. King, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Gale, Mr. Henry, Col. Colwill, and Mr. Hynson, enquire into the Facts contained therein, and Report the same.

James Hollyday, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill, Entituled, *An Act to continue an Act, &c. entituled, An Act to the Act, entituled, An Act for emitting and making Current Ninety Thousand Pounds Current Money, &c. and to restrain some evil Practices of Sheriffs under colour of the said Act committed*: Indorsed, 'By the Upper House of Assembly, May 9. 1739. Read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.' And thus, 'By the Upper House of Assembly, May 14. 1739. Read the Second Time, and will Pass with the following Amendment, instead of the Words, *until the first Day of October which shall be in the Year of our Lord 1742, p t these Words, for and during the Term of Three Years next ensuing, and unto the end of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the end of the said Three Years.* Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

Edmund Fenings, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker a Petition of the Rector, Vestry and Church Wardens, of Christ's Church Parish in St. Mary's and Charles Counties, Indorsed, *By the Upper House of Assembly, Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.* Which Petition being Read, praying that an Act may Pass for levying on the Taxable Inhabitants of said Parish, a Sum not exceeding Two Shillings and Six-pence per Poll per Annum, till a Sum not exceeding Five Hundred Pounds be raised, to be applied to provide comely and decent Ornaments for said Church, &c. The said Petition was Ordered to be returned, it not appearing to be Signed by a Majority of the Taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish.

The House Adjourns to 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon.