

the second, that this is a Practice which he has but lately taken upon himself, whereas that Practice will be found in the earliest Proceedings of this Province.

I cannot but be very much surprized to find that you should mention to me as a Grievance, that the Naval Officers take Gold and Silver for their Fees from all Masters of Vessels Entering or Clearing with them; you cannot but be sensible, since it has been so often mentioned, that it was the Lower House of Assembly alone, that prevented our Paper Money passing in Payment of the 40 per Poll and Officers Fees, and according to the Bill for our Paper Currency as it now stands, the Naval Officers insist upon it that their Fees are due in Gold or Silver; how then can I be in any manner concerned in the determination of this Point, which can be only legally determined by Course of Law.

As to any Disputes betwixt the Upper House of Assembly and your House relating to your respective Rights and Privileges, I shall not take upon myself to determine them, nor am I well satisfied that you would be willing that I should do so; however this I think I may promise you, that whoever is entrusted with any of the Publick Money, shall, upon the application of your House, be ordered to lay their Accounts before you, which I hope will deprive them of an opportunity of committing with Impunity, either Frauds, Extortions, or Embezzlements, altho' the Upper House should not think it proper to allow their Members to wait upon you in Person, as often as you shall please to send for them.

SAM. OGLE.

On Reading, by especial Order, the Paper Bill entituled, *An Act to Continue an Act, entituled, An Act for raising a Duty of Three Pence per Hogshead on all Tobacco exported out of this Province for the Uses therein mentioned.*: The Question put, Whether the Bill should Pass, or Not? *Resolved in the Negative.*

For the Negative,

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| Mr. Waughop, | Mr. Giffway, | Mr. Sproughton, | Mr. Ramsey, | Mr. Wright, |
| —Read, | —Smith, | —Goldsborough, | —Peirce, | —Clayton, |
| —Swano, | —Wceman, | —Robert Lloyd, | —Sheredine, | —Demberton, |
| —Will, | —Courts, | —Esnalls, | —Moate, | —Wilkinson, |
| —Calder, | —Ball, | —Brannock, | —Matthews, | —Webster, |
| —Carr, | —Smallwood, | —George, | —Casswell, | —Osborn Sprigg, |
| —Denton, | —King, | —Colvill, | —Edward Sprigg, | |

For the Affirmative,

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| Mr. Middleton, | Mr. Henry, | Mr. Harris | Mr. Daliny, | Mr. Gordon. |
| —Hanfon, | —Trippe, | | | |

*The House Adjourns to 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon.
Post Meridiam.*

The House Met according to Adjournment.