

Saturday Morning, May 12, 1744.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

All appeared, except Mr. *Osborn Sprigg*.

Mr. *Lloyd* hath Leave of the House to go home.

The House, taking into Consideration the Governor's Answer to the Articles of this House, relating to the Purchase of Land, whereon is now building an House for the Governor, for the Time being; *Ordered*, That *Dr. Carroll* and *Mr. Calder* do prepare an Address in Answer thereto.

*James Holyday*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill entitled, *An Act for the speedy and effectual Publication of the Laws of this Province*, &c. Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, May 12, 1744. Read the Second Time, and will pass.

"Signed per Order, *J. Ross*, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Bill was here Read, and passed for Ingrossing.

*Samuel Chamberlain*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker several Petitions, Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, Read, and Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly."

*Doctor Carroll*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers Mr. Speaker a Bill entitled, *An Act for appointing Commissioners for dividing St. Mary's County into Four Parishes, and to erect that Part of All Faith, and King and Queen Parish, lying in Charles County, into a distinct Parish*; which Bill was Read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*Mr. Wootton* delivers Mr. Speaker a Bill entitled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Prince George's County, to levy upon the taxable Inhabitants of Queen Anne Parish in the said County, the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, Current Money, for the Uses therein mentioned*; which was Read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*Col. Colwill*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers Mr. Speaker an Ingrossed Bill entitled, *An Act for dividing St. Stephen's, alias North Salsfras Parish, in Cæcil County*; which was Read and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill, by *Mr. Pearce* and *Capt. Hyland*.

*Mr. Calder* brings in an Address to the Governor, which was Read, Approved, and ordered to be Ingrossed.

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill entitled, *An Act continuing an Act entitled, An Act to prevent the injuring Harbours within this Province, and for repealing the Act therein mentioned*; and the Bill entitled, *An Act continuing an Act entitled, A Supplementary Act to an Act entitled, An Act, laying an Imposition on Negroes*, &c. severally Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, May 12, 1744. Read the Second Time, and will pass.

"Signed per Order, *J. Ross*, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Bills were here severally Read, and passed for Ingrossing.

*Samuel Chamberlain*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill entitled, *An Act to prevent the cutting up Tobacco Plants*, &c. Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, May 12, 1744. Read the Second Time, and will pass.

"Signed per Order, *J. Ross*, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Bill was here Read and passed for Ingrossing.

*Edmund Fenings*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker a Petition of the Visitors of *Anne-Arundel County School*, Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly."

The House Adjourned until Monday Morning, at 9 of the Clock.

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