

Post Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

This House taking into Consideration the Report of the Gentlemen appointed to procure Copies of Records, and other Papers and Evidences necessary for carrying on the Addresses to the King's most Excellent Majesty, and the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, concerning the Aggravances complained of in the several Resolves of this House, in May Session, 1739: Ordered, That the Committee of Laws, prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governor thereon.

Col. Lloyd, from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Bill entitled, *An Act for the Tryal of all Matters of Fact, in the several Counties where they have arisen or shall arise*: Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, June 4, 1744. Read the Second Time, and will not pass. Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho."

Philip Thomas, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Journal of Accounts Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, June 4, 1744. Read and will not be Assented to.

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

Mr. Philip Hammond brings in an Address to the Governor, which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

Col. Hammond, from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Paper-Bill entitled, *An Act for the Relief of Francis O Connor, &c.* Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, the Ingrossed Bill, whereof this is the Original, is Read and Assented to."

Mr. Philip Hammond brings in the following Ingrossed Address, viz.

To his Excellency THOMAS BLADEN, Esq; Governor of Maryland:
The humble ADDRESS of the HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

May it please your Excellency,

AT the close of the last Sessions of Assembly, this House Addressed your Excellency that you would be pleased to Order the several Naval Officers to make Copies of the Orders by which they receive the Sum of Fourteen Pence per Ton on all Shipping Trading into this Province, except owned therein, as also the Sum of Twelve Pence Sterling per Hogshead on all Tobacco exported out of the same, and the Amount of the same Sums respectively for Two Years then last past, proved and authenticated, to the Honourable Speaker, Mr. James Calder, Mr. Philip Hammond, Dr Charles Carroll, Mr. Henry Hall, Mr. Thomas Worthington, Mr. John Magruder, Mr. Turnor Wootton, and Mr. Osborn Sprigg, or any Two or Three of them, applying for the same; but on a Report made by the said Gentlemen this Session, we find that they were not able to procure the Amount of the said Sums as therein requested, your Excellency referring to the Reasons in your Answer to the Address of the Lower House, which we apprehend were, that as the *Quantum* was not the Thing in Dispute, so you did not see how the Amount thereof could determine the Rights thereof.

The Amount of the Twelve Pence per Hogshead, and of the Sum for Tonnage, are what the Council for the Country directs, and the Agent writes for, and are what we think essentially necessary for the Country's Service, and therefore humbly entreat your Excellency again (notwithstanding that the Use or Service thereof may be to you unknown) that you'll Order the said several Naval Officers within this Province, to deli-

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