

1. That such Part of the Bill as is designed to establish a Fund for raising a Sum of Money, for the Payment of an Agent to transact any Business for this Province in *London*, is foreign to his Majesty's Service in general, and more especially to that, which gave Rise to, and ought to be the only Object of this Bill.

2. That Blending or Tacking two different Matters in the same Bill, in order to force the Consent of any Branch of the Legislature to the One, by the Necessity or Desirableness of the Other, has always been considered as an unparliamentary, unjust, and violent Proceeding; since by that Means the Legislators are not at Liberty, but compelled to Act, which is contrary to the very Institution and Freedom of Parliaments.

3. That although the method of Tacking hath sometimes been used, yet it may be laid down as an undoubted Truth, that those Persons, who have offered to clog any Bill with a Tack, were always thought Enemies or ill Wishes to such Bill, and not those who refused the Bill on account of such an unparliamentary Step; and as we take for granted you would avoid if possible every Suspicion of Dislike to the Duty we are now endeavouring to shew to his Majesty, we doubt not this Observation alone will prevail with you to pass the Bill with that Amendment.

4. That as you seem by your Addresses to the Governor, to value what you shall do in this Affair for his Majesty's Service, as a free and voluntary Contribution; we cannot think it will appear in so meritorious a Light, if you should not concur with our Amendment; since it may be concluded your House would not have consented to some Provision for *Louisburg Garrison*, without obtaining a Fund for the Payment of an Agent in *England*; and that your Zeal for his Majesty's Service in this Particular had no other Rise but from, and was entirely bounded by, the Desire of having an Agent, Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

Which being Read, Resolved, That it is the undoubted Right of the House of Delegates, to raise on the People of this Province, any Sum of Money, or other Tax, and for such Time, and in such Manner, and to such Uses and Purposes, as to them shall seem meet; and that the Upper House have not any Right to propose any Alterations or Amendments, so as to alter or change the substantial or material Parts of any such Bill, sent up to them from this House.

*The House adjourns to 2 of the Clock.  
Post Meridiem.*

The House met according to Adjournment.

The following ingrossed Address is to his Excellency, viz.

To his Excellency THOMAS BLADEN, Esq; Governor of Maryland;  
The Humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

**H**IS Majesty's Subjects, the People of this Province, are burthened with many Taxes and Charges, of which it requires our utmost Attention to find Ways and Means to ease them. And as there are, by many Acts and the Laws of this Province, sundry Fines and Forfeitures which we humbly conceive ought to be appropriated to the Support of Government; as also Amerciaments in the Provincial Court, an Account of the Disposal whereof hath not for many Years been rendered to the House of Delegates.

We therefore pray, that your Excellency will order to be laid before this House Accounts of all the Fines, Forfeitures, and Amerciaments, that have arisen and been paid; and how, and to what Uses applied, in the Support of this Government, from the Year 1715 to this Time.

Being prepared, was Ordered, on Behalf of the House, to be signed by the Honourable Speaker; which being done, Major *Sberedine* and Capt. *Hopper* are sent to acquaint his Excellency, that this House hath prepared an Address to him, and desires to know when and where he will be pleased to receive it: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, his Excellency will receive it immediately in the Conference-Chamber.

Mr. *Smith*, with Three others, sent to present the Address: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they have presented it.

The Bill for Limitation of Officers Fees was read the Second Time, passed, and sent to the Upper House by Col. *Colwill* and Col. *Hall*.

The Bill, entitled, *A supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act appointing Commissioners for dividing St. Mary's &c.* was Read the Second Time, Passed, and sent to the Upper House by Mr. *Barnes*, and Mr. *Mills*.

The Bill, entitled, *An additional supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for laying out and erecting a Town at a Place called Long-Point, on the West side of North-east River in Cecil County;* was Read the Second Time, Passed, and sent to the Upper House by Col. *Colwill*, and Mr. *Hyland*.

*The House adjourns 'til To-morrow Morning 9 of the Clock.*