

Tuesday Morning, June 13, 1749.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as yesterday. The Proceedings of yesterday were read.

Capt. Addison, Capt. Lee, and Mr. Oldham, appeared in the House. Mr. Robert Lloyd hath Leave to go home.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Frederick County, praying an Act to lessen the Bounty made for killing Wolves, &c. was read and rejected.

On motion that a Bill be brought in, to oblige the Sheriffs of this Province to keep all Persons, committed to their Charge, in the County Prison, when built and repaired; Leave is given. Ordered, That the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the Committee of Accounts do not receive any Accounts or Public Claims after Saturday next; and that the Committee of Accounts do close the Journal of Accounts on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That no new Business be proceeded on, after 12 o' Clock on Saturday next.

The Bill entituled, *An Act impowering the Justices of Calvert County Court, &c.* was read the second Time, and will pass; and was sent to the Upper House by Mr. James John Mackall and Mr. Benson Bond.

*The House adjourns until 2 of the Clock.*

*Post Meridiem.*

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The Petition of the Vestry, Churchwardens, and Parishioners, of King and Queen Parish, in St. Mary's County, was read, and referred to the next Assembly.

Mr. Nicholas Goldsborough, from the Committee of Grievances, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report:

By the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice, June 13, 1749.

Whereas a certain Jasper Hall, of Baltimore County, hath complained to your Committee, That being possessed of twenty Acres Part of a Tract of Land called Jacob's Lot, in Baltimore County, the Rent of which to the Lord Proprietary amounts, at the largest Computation, to ten Pence Sterling per Annum, which he the said Hall saith he was, at all Times from his having the said Land, ready to pay, which was in the Year 1746; but that in the Year 1747, a certain William Young, Receiver of his Lordship's Quit Rents in the said County, without ever making any Demand for the said Rent of him the said Jasper Hall, caused a certain Henry Morgan, Sheriff of the same County, to distrain him the said Hall; which he did, by taking one Bed, one Chest, and one Spinning wheel, the Property of the said Hall, for the Sum of twelve Shillings, which he the said Young, and the said Sheriff, alleged to be due, as Rent, or Arrears of Rent, for the said Land; which Distress appears to have been made on the tenth Day of July, Seven'teen hundred and forty-seven.

Your Committee humbly observe, that at the same Time that the said Distress was made on the said Jasper Hall, a certain Henry Rutter was, and had been some Years before, in Possession, by Deed, and living thereon, of thirty Acres, Part of the said Jacob's Lot; the whole Tract containing by Patent only fifty Acres. That the said Young, as Receiver, claimed the Rents or Arrearages only from the Year 1741; whereby the Rent or Arrears of the said twenty Acres, Part of Jacob's Lot, possessed by him the said Hall, would have amounted only to five Shillings Sterling, calculating the Rent and Arrears for six Years; whereby it appears, that the said Jasper Hall was overcharged at that Time for the Sum of seven Shillings Sterling; but that the said Jasper Hall notwithstanding paid the Sum of twelve Shillings Sterling, with fifteen Shillings Currency Cost thereon.

That in the Year 1747, on December the fourteenth, a certain Isaac Ristau, as Deputy Sheriff, likewise distrained upon the said twenty Acres, Part of the said Jacob's Lot, a Feather-bed, without mentioning for what Sum, only in general for Rent due on the Premises: After which the said Jasper Hall paid unto a certain Thomas Sheredine, junior, as Deputy Sheriff, in consequence of the said Distress, the Sum of two Pounds fifteen Shillings Currency, in lieu and stead of thirty-four Shillings Sterling, besides Costs.

And it likewise appears unto your Committee, that the said Hall, at the Time of making the last Distress, and for some Time before, had Right to a certain Tract of Land, called Major's Choice, in the same County, containing one hundred and forty Acres, the yearly Rent whereof amounting to five Shillings and seven Pence halfpenny per Annum; which, from 1741 to 1747, the Time of making the Distress, would have been thirty-three Shillings and nine Pence Sterling. Your Committee take Leave to observe, that the latter Distress was made on different Premises; and that altho' the said Jasper Hall had a Right to the a-

foresaid