

Messrs	{	Z. Bond,	Carroll,	For the NEGATIVE,		Gordon,	Szrborough,
		Mills,	Sullivan,	Sheredine,	Gordon,	J. Henry,	
		Barnes,	Hooper,	Lux,	Dulany,	Chaplain,	
		Smith,	Colvill,	Sprigg,	Robins,	Ower.	
			Colvill,	Murcock,	Selby,		

The Bill entituled, *An Act to enable the Rector and Vestrymen of Great Choptank Parish in Dorchester County, to lease some Land, &c.* The Bill entituled, *An Act to enable George Catto, &c.* And the Bill entituled, *An Act continuing an Act entituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual Publication of the Laws, &c.* Were severally read the second Time, and passed.

Mr. Key delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report.

By the Committee appointed to examine into the Facts and Allegations contained in the Petition of *James Sterling, Thomas Ayres, and Sarah Waltham*; and to report the same to the House.

IT appears to your Committee, that *Rebecca Sterling* and *James Sterling*, in the Petition mentioned, had in the Life-time of the aforesaid *Rebecca*, and with her express, free, and voluntary Consent, contracted and agreed with *John Waltham*, in the Petition mentioned, for the Sale of the Tract of Land called *Huddle's Right*, for the Consideration of Twenty five Shillings per Acre, to be paid on the Delivery of the Deed; and with *Thomas Ayres*, in the Petition also mentioned, for the Sale of the Tract of Land called *Rushmore*, for the Consideration of Twenty five Shillings per Acre, to be paid within the Year after the Delivery of the Deed: Pursuant to which Agreements respectively, the aforesaid *John Waltham* and *Thomas Ayres* respectively entered into, and took Possession of, the aforesaid Tracts of Land; and they, or their Representatives, do still hold Possession thereof.—That pursuant to the Agreement aforesaid, the aforesaid *Rebecca* accordingly herself applied to an Attorney, to draw the proper Conveyances; who, upon his Application to the aforesaid *James Sterling*, had his Consent; but the Attorney being obliged to attend his Duty at the Provincial Court, could not dispatch the same, as he otherwise would have done: During which Delay she sickened, and before proper Deeds could be otherwise prepared, she died. It also further appears to your Committee, that only eighty three Pounds Currency, Part of the Consideration Money for the Tract of Land called *Huddle's Right*, has been, by the aforesaid *John Waltham* in his Life time, or by another Person, since paid to the aforesaid *James Sterling*: But your Committee do not find; that any Part of the Consideration Money for the Tract of Land called *Rushmore* has been paid.

All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of your Honourable House.

Signed per Order, *John Hall, junior, Clerk.*

Which Report was read, and the House concurs therewith.

The Petition of the Rev. Mr. *James Sterling* was read, and Leave given to bring in a Bill according to Prayer.

A Bill entituled, *An Act impowering the Rector, Vestrymen, and Churchwardens, of Queen Caroline Parish in Anne Arundel County, for the Time being, to purchase Acre of Land, and thereon to build a Chapel of Ease, in the said Parish; and to impower the Justices of the said County to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish the Sum of Twelve Pence Current Money yearly, by three annual Assessments, for the Uses therein mentioned;* was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Bill entituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act entituled, An Act ascertaining the Height of Fences, &c.* was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*The House adjourns 'til Tomorrow Morning at 9 o' Clock.*

Saturday Morning, May 26, 1750.

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

The Bill entituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act entituled, An Act for causing Grand and Petit Jurors and Witnesses to come to the Provincial and County Courts, &c.* was read the second Time, and passed; which Bill, with the Bill entituled, *An Act to license Hawkers, &c.* the Bill entituled, *An*