

“ *member*: Line 5, between the Words *Sureties* and *payable*, insert to be
 “ *approved by the Governor or Commander in chief for the Time being*:
 “ Line 6, instead of the Word *two* put *one*: From the Word *notwith-*
 “ *standing* in the 14th Line, leave out to the End; and insert the follow-
 “ *ing Words, Which said Justice or Justices taking such Bond as afore-*
 “ *said, shall be, and he or they are hereby directed and obliged to lodge*
 “ *such Bond or Bonds with the Clerk of the Council for the Time being, in*
 “ *the Council Office, there to be kept.*”

“ Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.”

The Bill entituled, *An Act to erect a Town at the Mouth of Rock Creek, &c.* was read the second Time and passed.

The Bill entituled, *An Act to enable the Vestrymen, &c. of Coventry Parish, partly in Somerset and Worcester Counties, to purchase two Acres of Land, &c.* was read the second Time and passed.

Which two Bills were sent to the Upper House by Mr. Crabb and Mr. Chaplain.

A Bill entituled, *An Act for the abolishing June County Courts*; and a Bill entituled, *An Act to repeal Part of an Act entituled, An Act to encourage the destroying of Squirrels and Crows in the Counties therein mentioned*; were severally read the second Time by especial Order, and passed, and sent to the Upper House by Capt. Lee and Capt. Hopper.

A Bill entituled, *An Act declaring how the Allowances to Judges and the Officers and Attorneys Fees shall be paid, which have or may become due on the holding Special Courts of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery*, was read the first Time; and the Question was put, That the said Bill be referred for a second Reading on the first Day of August next: Resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill entituled, *An Act for erecting a new Market-House in the City of Annapolis*, was read and passed for Ingrossing.

The Bill entituled, *An Act to oblige Naval Officers to give sufficient Bonds, &c.* was read, with the Amendments proposed by the Upper House, and passed for Ingrossing.

The Bill entituled, *An Act for the Recovery of sundry Commodities in Specie, out of Court before a single Magistrate*, was read, and referred for Consideration on the first Day of August next.

Col. Hooper, from the Committee of Grievances, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report; *viz.*

By the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice, May 27, 1751.

IN Pursuance of an Order of your Honourable House, your Committee sent to the Register in Chancery, the Clerks of the Secretary's, Commissary's, and Land Offices, to know whether they had taken the Oath prescribed by an Act entituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act entituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees*; who delivered their separate Answers as follow; *viz.*

The Register in Chancery answered, That he had taken the said Oath before George Stuart, Esq; one of the Provincial Magistrates, within the Time limited by the said Law.

The Clerk of the Provincial Office gave for Answer, That he apprehended the said Oath to be so strict, as to hinder him from taking any Fee or Reward, even from his Principal; and therefore had not taken the Oath.

The Register in the Commissary's Office gave for Answer, That by the Oath prescribed by Law for him to take, he conceived he should be debarred from the usual and customary Allowances for making out the Deputy Commissaries Commissions, and Copy of their Instructions, for which the Commissary charges no Fees; and for preparing Letters of Administration, or Testamentary, where the Administrations are granted by the Commissary General, for which he receives fifteen Shillings; the Deputy Commissaries receiving one hundred and fifty Pounds of Tobacco for the same Services; which had been the usual Perquisites taken by all the former Registers of that Office.

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