

“ the Time of the Entry of any Ship or Vessel, having German or French Passengers, or Servants, on board,  
 “ and shall, in the Presence of the said Naval Officer, or his Deputy, administer the several Oaths to the  
 “ Government, to each Passenger, or Servant, imported as aforesaid, and cause them, and each of them, to sign  
 “ the Test, and Oath of Abjuration, to be kept by him for that Purpose, (except Children under the Age of four-  
 “ teen Years, to be adjudged at the Discretion of the same Naval Officer), and the same Clerk shall, and he is  
 “ hereby required, before he takes upon him the Execution of the said Office, to go before some Provincial or County  
 “ Magistrate, and take the several Oaths to the Government, subscribe the Test and Oath of Abjuration, and take  
 “ an Oath, well and truly to administer the several Oaths to the Government, to the several German or French  
 “ Passengers, or Servants, imported at the Port and City of Annapolis, and cause them to sign the Oath of Abju-  
 “ ration and the Test, in the Presence of the Naval Officer, or his Deputy of the same Port, (except as before ex-  
 “ cepted), and that the same Clerk shall have and receive for his so doing, the Sum of Twenty Pounds Current  
 “ Money, per Annum, to be paid by the Treasurer of the Western Shore, for the Time being, out of the Money he  
 “ shall receive for the Use of this Province, which said Treasurer is hereby authorized and required to pay the same,  
 “ upon the Order of the Governor, or Commander in Chief for the Time being; in 5th Line of the 3d Page, in-  
 “ stead of Five Pounds, put Two Pounds Ten Shillings, and in the same Line, put Fifty Pounds instead of  
 “ Two hundred Pounds; in the 9th Line of the same Page, instead of Four hundred, put One hundred; in the  
 “ 13th Line of the same, put Ten instead of Fifty; in the 14th Line, put One instead of Four; in the 18th  
 “ Line, put Three hundred instead of Five hundred; instead of the Words to the sole Use and Benefit of the  
 “ Informer, or him, her or them, that will sue for the same, being a Protestant or Protestants, in the 19th and  
 “ 20th Lines, put to be applied in the same Manner as is herein before directed; in the 13th Line of the 4th  
 “ Page, instead of Ten, put Five; in the 4th Line of 5th Page, instead of Twenty, put Ten; after the Word  
 “ Act, in the last Line but two of the last Page, insert the following Proviso and Clause, instead of the re-  
 “ maining Part of the Bill, Provided always, That if any Importer of any such German or French Papist,  
 “ Layman, Popish Priest, or Jesuit, shall desire to export them, or any of them, within three Months from the  
 “ Time of their Entry, and make Report thereof to the said Naval Officer, and shall export all or any of the same  
 “ German or French Papists, Laymen, Popish Priests, or Jesuits, by him imported as aforesaid, it shall and may  
 “ be lawful for every such Naval Officer to re-pay the same Duty, to the same Importer, for such German or French  
 “ Papists, Laymen, Popish Priests, or Jesuits, so as aforesaid by him received, in Proportion to the Number of  
 “ them that shall be so exported. This Act not to take Place until his Lordship's Pleasure be known.

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

George Plater, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill entituled, *An Act for regulating the Rates of Carriages, and Quartering Soldiers, in Public Houses within this Province, for his Majesty's Service*; Indorsed,

“ By the Upper House of Assembly, March 20, 1755, Read the second Time and will pass, with  
 “ the following Amendments; In the 11th Line of the first Page, after the Word Expedition, leave  
 “ out, to the Westward or North-Westward of this Province; after the Word Forces, in the 14th Line, leave  
 “ out, to any Part or Place within this Province; after the Word aforesaid, in the 16th Line, insert while  
 “ they shall continue in the said Province.

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

*The House adjourns till the morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.*

Friday, March 21, 1755.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

On reading and considering the Amendments proposed by the Upper House of Assembly, to the Bill entituled, *An Act for preventing the Importation of German and French Papists, and Popish Priests, and Jesuits,*  
 Feb. Session, 1755. I into