

HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor. 19

thereon; indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, July 2, 1755.
" Read the second Time and will pass.

" Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

Which Bill was read here, and passed for ingrossing.

The following Certificate was produced to the Clerk of this House, viz.

I HEREBY certify, that on this third Day of July, 1755, personally appeared before me the Subscriber, one of his Lordship's Justices of the Peace for Anne-Arundel County, John Duckett, and took the several Oaths, appointed by Act of Assembly of this Province, to be taken to the Government, made, repeated, and subscribed, the Oath of Abjuration and Test, and also the following Oath, to wit,

YOU John Duckett do swear, that as Clerk to the Committee of Arms and Ammunition, you shall true Entries make of all such Matters and Things, as by that Committee for the Time being, shall be to you directed; the Secrets of the said Committee you shall not divulge, to the Prejudice of the said Committee, or any Member thereof, but shall in all Things, as Clerk to the said Committee, well and truly demean yourself, according to the best of your Knowledge. So help you God.

THOMAS JENNINGS.

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem. The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Mr. Williamson, and Mr. Hynson, have Leave of the House to go home.

William Goldsborough, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill entituled, *An Act for securing the Western Frontier of this Province, against the Depredations of the French and their Indian Allies; and also for paying and maintaining Couriers from Wills's-Creek to Annapolis, and back to Wills's-Creek*; indorsed, "By the Upper House of
" Assembly, July 3, 1755. Read the second Time, and will not pass.

" Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho."

And the following Message, viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, July 3, 1755.

Gentlemen,

WE return you herewith the Bill, entituled, *An Act for securing the Western Frontier of this Province against the Depredations of the French and their Indian Allies; and also for paying and maintaining Couriers from Wills's-Creek to Annapolis, and back to Wills's-Creek*, which, in our Apprehension, is framed in such a Manner, that it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to be carried into Execution, so as to answer the Purposes proposed by it, and therefore we cannot agree to pass it: But as we are greatly concerned for the Preservation and Security of the Inhabitants on the Western Borders of this Province, we shall be glad you will take the Matter again under your Consideration.

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

Benedict Calvert, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Petition of Thomas Todd, a Petition of Jasper Hall, and a Petition of Daniel Wells, all languishing Prisoners in Anne-Arundel County Goal; a Petition of Benjamin Berry, a languishing Prisoner in Prince-George's County Goal; and a Petition of Thomas Reynolds, a languishing Prisoner in Frederick County Goal; and a Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, and Church-Wardens of St. Anne's Parish, in Anne-Arundel County; severally indorsed,

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