

For the NEGATIVE,

Messrs. {	J. Reeder,	Reynolds,	Stoddert,	Addison,	Bracco,
	Hammond,	Carroll,	Gray,	Frazer,	Beall.
	Gassaway,	Smallwood,	Govane,	Hawkins,	

The Bill entituled, *An Act to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province*, was indorsed, "Read the second Time, and, with the Amendments herewith sent, will pass."

Signed per Order, M. Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

And was sent to the Upper House with the Amendments proposed, viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly, May 18, 1756.

A MENDMENTS proposed to the Bill entituled, *An Act to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province*.

The whole Preamble to be struck out, and the following inserted, viz.

Whereas, at this Time of uncommon and imminent Danger, from our powerful perfidious Enemies, and the cruel Blood-thirsty barbarous Savages, their Allies, it is highly expedient to guard against every intestine Foe: And whereas divers Jesuits, Priests, and Popish Missionaries, have for some Time had their Residence in this Province, and have acquired, and do now possess therein, large Tracts of Land and much Property; and there is too much Reason to fear, especially at this Juncture, that they will seduce and withdraw from their Allegiance many of his Majesty's faithful Protestant Subjects, and by their wicked and subtle Insinuations, excite and stir up disaffected Persons to Sedition and open Rebellion, against his Majesty's Government: And whereas it is thought necessary, not only for the Peace and Security of this Province in particular, but the Safety of his Majesty's Colonies in North-America in general, that the Growth of Popery should be restrained by all reasonable and just Means.

In the 14th Line of the first Page, between the Words *instructed* and *persuaded*, insert [in any Kind of Learning, or.]

In the 17th Line of the same Page, between the Words *Office* and *in*, insert [or Place of Trust.]

In the 20th Line of the same Page the Word *and*, between the Words *instructed* and *educated*, be struck out, and the Words [in any Kind of Learning, or] inserted.

In the last Line of the same Page, between the Words *any* and *devise*, insert the Word [descent.]

In the 3d Page, and 4th Line from the Bottom, between the Words *Tutor* and *who*, insert [not being a Popish Priest or Jesuit.]

In the 4th Page and 13th Line, between the Words *Practice* and *engage*, insert [to absolve.]

In the 12th Line of the 7th Page, between the Words *having* and *any*, insert the Words [or holding.]

Between the Words *Hereditaments* and *lying*, in the 12th and 13th Lines of the 7th Page, insert the Words [or any Negroes or other Slaves.]

Between the Words *Province* and *shall*, in the 13th Line of the same Page, insert as follows, [either for his own Use, Advantage, or Emolument, or having or holding the same in Trust for the Use of, and to the Intent or Purpose that the same, or the Profits or Proceed thereof, shall or may be applied or applicable to or for, or towards, any Seminary or School for the Education of Youth in the Romish Religion in this Province, or elsewhere, or to or for any Popish or Superstitious Use or Uses whatsoever.]

In the 17th Line of the same Page, between the Words *Hereditaments* and *whereof*, insert [and Negroes or other Slaves.]

In the 18th Line of the same Page, between the Words *Advantage* and *shall*, insert [or in Trust for the Uses aforesaid.]

In the same Line of the same Page, between the Words *in* and *Possession*, insert the Words [seisin or.]

In the 9th Line of the 8th Page, between the Words *Estates* and *to*, insert [or Estates by them held in Trust for the Uses aforesaid.]

In the 16th Line of the same Page, between the Words *Hereditaments* and *of*, insert [and Negroes or other Slaves.]

In the 24th Line of the same Page, at the End thereof, after the Word *Hereditaments*, insert the Words [or Negroes or other Slaves.]

In the 25th Line of the same Page, between the Words *Province* and *shall*, insert as follows, [either for his own Use, Advantage, or Emolument, or having or holding the same in Trust for the Use of, and to the Intent or Purpose that the same, or the Profits or Proceed thereof, shall or may be applied or applicable to or for, or towards, any Seminary or School, for the Education of Youth in the Romish Religion, in this Province, or elsewhere, or to or for any Popish or Superstitious Use or Uses whatsoever.]

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