

THURSDAY MORNING, April 14, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday. The Proceedings were Read.

On Motion, *Ordered*, That the Clerk of this House do bring, from the City of *Annapolis*, the fair Journal of the Proceedings of the Committee appointed for laying the Public Levy, which met at the City of *Annapolis* aforesaid, on the Third Tuesday of *October*, in the Year 1756, that the same may be laid before the General Assembly, now sitting.

On Motion, *Ordered*, That the Deputy-Secretary of this Province, do make out a Transcript of the Proceedings on an Action brought in the Provincial Court, in the Name of the Lord Proprietary, against *Richard Porter*, late Sheriff of *Talbot County*: Also, a Transcript of the Proceedings on an Action brought in the Name of the Lord Proprietary, against *Benjamin Bradford*, late Sheriff of *Cecil County*, in the Provincial Court aforesaid; for Monies due to the Public for Ordinary Licences and Public Assessments, directed by Act of Assembly to be paid by the said Sheriffs to the Commissioners or Trustees for Emitting Bills of Credit, established by Act of Assembly; and that the said Transcripts be duly authenticated under Seal of the said Provincial Court, and be forthwith transmitted to this House.

On Motion, That an Address be prepared to his Excellency, Requesting him to direct the several Naval Officers of this Province to lay before this House their Accounts of Exports and Imports within their Districts for Six Years last past, to this present Time; and particularly an Account of Servants Indented for Seven Years and upwards, and Imported for a less Time since the Year 1754: *Ordered*. That *Mr. Carroll*, *Col. Tilghman*, *Mr. Hammond*, *Mr. Matthew Tilghman*, and *Mr. Murdock*, do prepare and bring in an Address accordingly.

Mr. Lloyd brings in and delivers to *Mr. Speaker*, the following Report, *viz.*

By the Committee appointed by the Honourable Lower House of Assembly, to Enquire what Laws will expire at the End of this Session, if not Continued. April 14, 1757.

YOUR Committee find, That the following Acts of Assembly, passed in *October* Session, 1753, will expire at the End of this Session, if not Continued, *viz.*

An Act for the Trial of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties where they have arisen or shall arise.

An Act for the Advancement of Justice.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for the Gauge of Barrels, for Pork, Beef, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, and Tare of Barrels for Flour or Bread.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act to Remedy some Evils relating to Servants.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act ascertaining the Heights of Fences, to prevent the Evil occasioned by the Multitude of Horses, and restraining Horse-Rangers within this Province; and to Redress the great Evil accruing to this Province by the Multitude of useless Horses, Mares, and Colts, that run in the Woods.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for Relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in the Prosecution of Suits at Law, and for continuing the Supplementary Act thereto.

An Act to prevent Masters of Ships and Vessels from clandestinely carrying Servants and Slaves, or Persons indebted, out of this Province.

An Act to prevent Persons from secreting Boats, Flats, and other Vessels, drove by Stress of Weather or otherwise from Landings or Moorings.

An Act for the speedy Recovery of small Debts, out of Court, before one Justice of the Peace.

A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for the Relief of Creditors in England against Bankrupts, who have Imported any Goods into this Province not accounted for.

Your Committee also beg Leave to observe, that the Act passed in *February* Session, 1756, entitled, *An Act to empower the Justices of the several County Courts, to make Provision for the late Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia, and for Regulating their Conduct*, commenced at the End of that Session, and has Continuance only for one Year therefrom.

And also, that the Act passed last Session, entitled, *An Act for further continuing an Act, entitled, An Act to prevent the Exportation or Carrying out of this Province, Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions of any Kind, towards supplying the French, or their Allies*, will expire (unless further Continued) on the Tenth Day of *May* next.

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

Signed per Order,

Thomas Johnson, junior, Clerk of said Committee.

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