

Which was Read and Assented to, and Signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

On Motion, That a Committee be appointed to examine the Books and Accounts of the Agents appointed by the Act for Raising 40,000 l. &c.

Ordered, That the Committee for Inspecting the Accounts and Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Paper-Currency-Office, &c. do examine the Books and Accounts of the said Agents, and make Report thereof to the House.

The Bill, entituled, *An Act for the Relief of certain languishing Prisoners in the several County Goals therein mentioned*, was Read the second Time, and will Pass; and was sent to the Upper House by Capt. Gassaway and Capt. Tolley.

*The House adjourns until II of the Clock Afternoon.*

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

His Excellency communicates to Mr. Speaker the following Message, viz.

“ GENTLEMEN of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY,

“ I AM of Opinion with you, that the Agents are impowered by the Law, whereby themselves were appointed, to Reimburse Capt. Beall, and hope they will no longer refuse to do so. Mr. Middleton's Account, for bringing some of the late Inhabitants of *Nova-Scotia* from *Annapolis* to this Place, that I laid before you, was never withdrawn to my Knowledge: However I kept a Copy thereof, which I now send you, together with the other Accounts, that, by my Message of Friday last, I gave you Room to expect.

“ May 4th, 1757.

HOR<sup>o</sup>. SHARPE.”

Which was Read, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Goldsborough brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entituled, *An Act for his Majesty's Service, and the more immediate Defence and Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants of this Province*; which was Read the first and second Time by an especial Order, and will Pass; and was sent to the Upper House by Mr. Goldsborough, and Five more.

On Reading and Considering the Governor's Message of the second Instant: Ordered, That an Address be prepared to his Excellency thereon; and that Col. Tilghman and Mr. Carroll do prepare and bring in an Address accordingly.

*The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.*

THURSDAY MORNING, May 5, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Ordered, That Mr. Edmondson and Mr. Bracco do acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath prepared an Address, to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That the Governor was pleased to signify he would receive the Address immediately at his House.

Ordered, That Col. Henry and Mr. Casson do present the Address to the Governor.

On Motion, Resolved, That this House do not proceed on any new Business of any Kind this Session after this Day.

On Motion, the Question was put, That the Governor's Accounts, relating to his Expences on Two Journeys to the Northward, be Referred to the Consideration of next Session of Assembly. Resolved in the Affirmative.

His Excellency the Governor communicates to Mr. Speaker the following Message, viz.

“ GENTLEMEN of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY,

“ INCLOSED you have a Letter or Message, which has been sent to me by some *Cherokee Indians*, who, upon an Invitation given them last Year by Governor *Dinwiddie*, have declared in our Favour, and are determined, if they meet with proper Encouragement, to act in Conjunction with our Troops against the *French* and their savage Allies. As you all know how useful *Indians* are to the Party whose Cause they espouse, and how formidable to those against whom they wage War, I shall not enlarge on the Services that these People may do us at this Time, not doubting but you will agree with me on the Expediency of securing them in our Interest, and enable me to send them an agreeable Answer, by accom-

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