

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker Re-assumed the Chair.

Mr. *Lind*, Chairman from the Committee of the whole House, Reported, That the Committee had proceeded to take into further Consideration the Matter Referred to them; but through Want of Time, could not compleat the same; therefore craves Leave of the House to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will (Afternoon) Resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further Consideration his Excellency the Governor's Speech, together with the Earl of *Loudoun's* Letter.

Daniel Dulany, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Petition of *Thomas Clark* and *George Scott*, of *Prince George's* County; Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 17th February, 1758. Read and Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly."

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

The House adjourns till II of the Clock.

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

The Order of the Day being Read; the House Resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further Consideration his Excellency the Governor's Speech, together with the Earl of *Loudoun's* Letter.

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Mr. *Lloyd*, from the Committee of the whole House, acquainted Mr. Speaker, That that Committee had Resolved that the Number of 300 Men (Officers included) be raised and supported at the Expence of this Province, for his Majesty's Service, and the more immediate Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants thereof, and directed him to Report the same to the House.

On Consideration of the said Report, the House concurs therewith.

On Motion, *Ordered*, That an Address be prepared to his Excellency the Governor, in Answer to his Message of the 15th Instant, relative to the *Cherokee Indians*; and that Mr. *Dorsey*, Col. *Tilghman*, and Mr. *Carroll*, do prepare and bring in such Address.

On Motion, the Question was put, and thereupon *Resolved*, That the Sum of 20,000 *l.* be raised for his Majesty's Service, and the more immediate Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants thereof.

On Motion, the Question was put, Whether the Sum of 20,000 *l.* be raised by an equal Assessment on real and personal Estates within this Province, and on all lucrative Offices and Employments, to be appropriated for a Supply for his Majesty's Service, and the more immediate Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants thereof, or Not? *Resolved* in the Affirmative.

For the AFFIRMATIVE,

Messieurs	{	Reeder,	E. Gantt,	M. Tilghman,	Murdock,	Bracco,
		Sothoron,	Hanson,	Gray,	Frazer,	Sudler,
		Williamson,	Lee,	Govane,	T. Gantt,	Chapline,
		Hynson,	Dent,	Cockey Deye,	King,	E. Dorsey,
		Carroll,	Stoddert,	Owings,	Lloyd,	Beatty,
		Worthington,	Wilson,	Woodward,	E. Tilghman,	Cresap.
Reynolds,						

For the NEGATIVE,

Messieurs Goldborough, Dulany, Henry, Harris.

On Motion, *Resolved*, That a Bill be prepared and brought in, for raising the Sum of 20,000 *l.* by an equal Assessment on real and personal Estates within this Province, and on all lucrative Offices and Employments, to be appropriated for a Supply for his Majesty's Service, and the more immediate Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants thereof;

Ordered, That Col. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Dorsey*, Mr. *Lloyd*, Mr. *Murdock*, Mr. *Matthew Tilghman*, Mr. *Carroll*, and Mr. *Wilson*, do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

On Motion, *Resolved*, That Provision be made by the said Bill for paying the Charges of Quartering his Majesty's Forces within this Province.

On Motion, Leave given, to bring in a Bill for reducing the Allowances of the Members of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Provincial and County Magistrates;

Ordered, That Mr. *Bracco*, Mr. *Matthew Tilghman*, Mr. *Williamson*, Mr. *Murdock*, Mr. *Lloyd*, Mr. *Dulany*, and Mr. *Hanson*, do prepare and bring in such Bill.

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