

to lay no longer dormant, but without Delay order the Bond of the Commissioner in Question to be put in Suit, by which your Excellency will afford a Proof most agreeable to us, and, permit us to add, most advantageous to your own Character, of the Sincerity of your repeated Declaration, That you will never Countenance any Officer who does not diligently and faithfully discharge his Duty.

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

Ordered, That Mr. *Matthew Tilgman* and Mr. *King* 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 signified he would receive the Address To-morrow Morning in the Conference Chamber.

*Richard Lee*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for Reducing the Allowances of the Members of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly*; Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 18th April, 1758. Read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

And thus, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 19th April, 1758. Read the second Time, and will Pass.

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

Which Bill was Read here the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

*The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at VIII of the Clock.*

THURSDAY, April 20, 1758.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday, except Mr. *Edmondson*, Mr. *Gale*, Mr. *Goldborough*, and Mr. *Hanson*. The Proceedings were Read. Mr. *Oldham* hath Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sullivan*, with Five more, do present the Address (which was prepared Yesterday) to his Excellency the Governor.

*The House adjourns till II of the Clock.*

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

Capt. *Lowe*s hath Leave of Absence.

Mr. *Wilson* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *A further Supplementary Act to an Act, entitled, An Act laying an Imposition on Negroes, and on several Sorts of Liquors imported; and also on Irish Servants, to prevent the Importing too great a Number of Irish Papists into this Province*;

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

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Petition of the Vestrymen and Church Wardens of *Port-Tobacco* Parish, in *Charles* County; Indorsed, "20th April, 1758. By the Upper House of Assembly, Read and Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House.

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

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

Col. *Henry*, from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Aiding Supplementary Act to an Act, entitled, A Supplementary Act to an Act, entitled, An Act to enable the Justices of Baltimore County Court to assess and levy on the taxable Inhabitants of St. George's Parish, &c.* Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 20th April, 1758. Read the second Time, and will Pass.

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

Which Bill was Read here, and Passed for Ingrossing.

*William Goldborough*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for Granting a Supply of 40,000 l. for his Majesty's Service, &c.* Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 20th April, 1758. Read the second Time, and will Pass, with the following Amendments.

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

"After the Words, *a Sight of the same* in the second Page of the Bill, insert the following Words, *at the Dwelling House of the Purchaser, Owner, or Possessor of such Horse, Mare, Colt or Gelding, as aforesaid, and leave out the Residue of the said Clause. Leave out also the Proviso, next following the said Clause. Leave out also entirely the enacting Clause, Page third. In the first enacting Clause in the last Page, leave*