

HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor. '99

The Journal of Accounts was Read and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House by Mr. Govane, and Four more.

Richard Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entituled, *An Act continuing an Act for the speedy Recovery of small Debts out of Court, before one Justice of the Peace.* And,

The Bill, entituled, *An Act continuing an Act, entituled, An Act directing the Manner of punishing Fornication and Adultery, &c.*

Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, April 1, 1760. Read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table."

And thus, "By the Upper House of Assembly, April 7, 1760. Read the second Time, and will not pass.
"Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho."

Ordered, That Alexander Williamson, Esq; Mr. Lloyd, and Mr. Earle, be a Committee to state and adjust the Clerk's and Serjeant's Accounts for Fees accrued by Order of the House, and Report the same.

Ordered, That the Bill, entituled, *An Act to continue the several Taxes and Duties mentioned in the Act for granting a Supply of 40,000 l. for his Majesty's Service, and the several Acts therein mentioned, and for suspending the Time appointed by the said Act for laying an additional Tax on Lands, and the Message from the Upper House sent with the said Bill, be Printed with the Votes and Proceedings of this Session, and in the Maryland Gazette.*

Ordered, That the Assessment Bill be Entered on the Journal by the Clerk of this House, and that the Printer do Print the same with the Votes and Proceedings of this Session.

Ordered, That the Clerk of this House be allowed in the Journal of Accounts for Entering the Assessment Bill, and the Bill for Naturalization, with the Votes and Proceedings, on the Journal of this Session.

The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, April 9, 1760.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

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

GENTLEMEN of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY,

THE Honourable Colonel Howe having intimated to me, that he intends to leave this Place To-morrow Morning, and return to New-York, I should be glad to know what Answer I may, by this Opportunity, give to that Letter of General Amherst's, which was communicated to you at the Opening of the Session, especially as the Day, by which his Excellency desired our Forces may be in Readiness to march, is very near at Hand.

9th of April, 1760.

HOR^o. SHARPE.

Which was Read the first and second Time.

On Motion, Ordered, That Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Murdock, Alexander Williamson, Esq; and Mr. Lloyd, do prepare and bring in an Answer to his Excellency the Governor's Message of this Day.

Col. Tasker, from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entituled, *An Act for reducing the Interest upon Tobacco and Money;* Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, April 1, 1760. Read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table."

And thus, "By the Upper House of Assembly, April 9, 1760. Read the second Time, and will pass, with the following Amendments.

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

And the following Amendments, viz.

"By the UPPER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, April 9th, 1760.

READ the second Time, and will pass, with the following Amendments. After the Word *Money*, in the Preamble, add the following Words, viz. [and the regular Payment thereof to Creditors;] and after the Word *Trade*, add the following Words, viz. [and Credit;] and strike out the Word *is*, and insert [are.]

"In the first Enacting Clause, leave out the Word *Tobacco* throughout; and also leave out the following Words in the same Clause, after the Word *whatever*, viz. *than Five Pounds of Tobacco for the Forfeiture*