

Col. *Tilghman* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act to restrain the Evil Practice of continuing Suits at Law, &c.* which was Read the first and second Time by especial Order, and will pass.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the equitable Payment of Money Debts*, was Read the second Time, and will pass.

Mr. *Ringgold* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for the speedy Payment of such Persons as have been ordered to March to the Frontiers of this Province, &c.* which was Read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

*Richard Lee*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act to continue the Power of the Sheriffs and Collectors, &c.* Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 21st November, 1763, Read the second Time, and will pass.

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

Which Bill was Read here, and passed for Ingrossing.

And also the Bill, entitled, *An Act for imposing an additional Duty of £. 2 per Poll on all Negroes, &c.* Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, 21st November, 1763, Read the second Time, and will pass, with the following Amendments: Leave out the Preamble, and the Word *therefore* in the third Line; and instead of *Ten Pounds*, insert *Two Pounds*; and instead of *Twenty*, insert *Ten*"

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

Which Bill was here Read, with the Amendments proposed, and passed for Ingrossing.

Mr. *Worthington* hath Leave of Absence till next Wednesday Morning.

An Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act to prohibit raising of Swine and Geese, &c.*

The Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Charles County, &c.*

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the equitable Payment of Money Debts.* And

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for restraining the Evil Practice for continuing Suits at Law, &c.*

Were sent to the Upper House by Dr. *Stewart* and Mr. *Hammond Dorsey*.

Mr. *Beall* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act for continuing the Power of the several Sheriffs and Collectors, &c.* which was Read and Assented to.

And an Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Prince George's and Charles Counties to raise a Quantity of Tobacco, &c.* which was Read and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House with the Paper Bills thereof, by Mr. *Grahame* and Mr. *Steele*.

*John Ridout*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the several Paper Bills, the Ingrossed Bills of which, had been severally Read and Assented to by this House; which Paper Bills were severally Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, The Ingrossed Bill, whereof this is the Original, is Read and Assented to.

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

The House proceeded to tax the following private Bills: *Draper Lushy's* and Wife's Bill,

To the Honourable Speaker, £. 3 : 00 : 0

To the Clerk, 1 : 10 : 0

*Richard Richardson's* Bill,

To the Honourable Speaker, £. 3 : 00 : 0

To the Clerk, 1 : 10 : 0

On Motion of Col. *Tilghman*, Leave given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of Ordinaries and Ordinary Keepers, within this Province, and to provide for the Defence and Security of the Frontier Inhabitants against the Incursions of the Indians; ORDERED, That Col. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Ringgold*, Mr. *Hanson*, and Mr. *J. Hall*, do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

On Motion of Mr. *Ringgold*, That a Message be prepared to the Upper House, requesting them to return the College Bill to this House, That it may be Printed; ORDERED, That Mr. *Ringgold*, Mr. *Murdock*, and Col. *Tilghman*, do prepare and bring in the same.

*Richard Lee*, and *Benedict Calvert*, Esquires, from the Upper House acquaint Mr. Speaker, That the Governor requires the Attendance of the Lower House immediately in the Upper House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and (attended by the rest of the Members of the Lower House) went to the Upper House, and presented to the Governor the following Ingrossed Bills, viz.

An Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act for giving a Bounty for taking Indian Prisoners, and other Purposes therein mentioned:*

An Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act for prohibiting all Trade with the Indians, for the Time therein mentioned:*

An Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *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 Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for increasing the Allowance of Grand and Petit Jurors, who shall attend the Provincial Court, to limit Costs with respect to Witnesses, and granting them an Allowance for itinerant Charges:*

An Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act continuing an Act, entitled, A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for the Relief of Creditors in England against Bankrupts, who have imported Goods into this Province, not accounted for:*

An Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for preventing Indians disaffected to the British Interest in America from coming into this Province as Spies, or on any other evil Design:*