

“ Jurisdiction of that Court, wherein the Plaintiff shall be desirous of a Speedy Trial, that if the Plaintiff should send a Copy of the Declaration in the Case, with the Writ, and cause the same to be served on, or delivered to the Defendant, or left at his or her last Place of Abode, Twenty Days at the least before the Appearance Court, it should be lawful for the Justices of the said Court, and they are by that Act required to proceed to Trial the same Court; and if the Defendant should refuse or neglect to answer or plead, to render Judgment for the Plaintiff, with Cost of Suit, unless sufficient Cause should be shewn by the Defendant, why there should be an Imparance; and that, as Jurors are not summoned to the Provincial Courts, but the Facts tried in the several Counties where they have arisen, or shall arise, so that when the Defendant pleads any Matter of Fact, triable by a Jury, the Issue cannot be tried at the Appearance Court:

“ Be it therefore Enacted and Declared, That when Copies of Declaration are served, or left according to the Direction of this Act, and no sufficient Cause shewn for an Imparance; and that the Defendant should plead a Matter of Fact, which is required to be done at the Appearance Court; that then, and in such Case, the Fact shall be tried at the first Assizes that shall happen after the Appearance Court in the County where the Fact hath arisen, or shall arise, any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

“ In the 1st Line of the 9th Page, insert the Word *Adjourned* betwixt the Words *the* and *Provincial*. In the 2^d and 3^d Lines of the same Page, strike out the Words, *April Term, in the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-six*, and insert instead thereof, the Words, *said Court*. In the 2^d and 3^d Lines from the Bottom of the same Page, strike out the Word *Seven*, and insert the Word *Three*.”

On Reading the Amendments proposed by the Upper House, to the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Trial of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties where they have arisen, or shall arise*: The Question was put, That this House do agree to the Amendments by the Upper House to the said Bill. Resolved in the Affirmative.

For the A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	{	Wolstenholme,	Wilson,	R. Goldborough,	Heath,	Wright,
		Lloyd,	W. Adams,	Henry,	Hyland,	Cresap,
		Hanson,	J. Adams,	Cockey Deye,	Ward,	F. Gantt,
		Smallwood,	Winder,	Lee,	Jacob,	Chapline,
		Ware,	J. Goldborough,	J. Hall, Balt.	Tilghman,	Smith.

For the N E G A T I V E.

Mess.	{	Worthington,	Hammond,	Parran,	Chase,	J. Hall, Annap.
		H. Hall,	Johnson,	Beall,		

Which Bill was accordingly Indorsed, “ Read, and with the Amendments proposed, passed for Ingrossing.”

T. Johnson, Esq; brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act to enable the Vestrymen and Churchwardens of St. Paul's Parish, in Baltimore County, to nominate and recommend Inspectors for Baltimore-Town Warehouse*: Which was Read the First and Second Time, by especial Order, and will Pass: And was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Lee, and Mr. Heath.

S. Chamberlaine, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Journal of Accounts, and List of Debts: Which List was Indorsed, “ By the Upper House of Assembly, May 24, 1766; Read and Assigned to. Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

And the following Message, viz.

By the UPPER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, May 24, 1766.

G E N T L E M E N,

WE have no Objection to the several Allowances made to the Militia that served on the Frontiers during the late War, or to the Payment of such Persons as supplied them with Provisions, or were put to Expences by furnishing Necessaries to any of his Majesty's Forces that were Quartered in this Province, and therefore have Assented to the Book of Accounts wherein these Claims are adjusted; but we cannot Assent to the Journal of Accounts, because the usual Allowance is not therein made to the late and present Clerk of the Council, nor to our Clerk for making Three Copies of the Upper House Journal for the last Session.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

And the Bill, entitled, *An Act for issuing Writs of Replevin out of the County Courts of this Province*: And the Bill, entitled, *An Act for Raising 4d. Sterling per Hogshead on all Tobacco, &c. for Support of an Agent, &c.* severally Indorsed, “ By the Upper House of Assembly, May 24, 1766; Read the Second Time, and will not Pass.” And the Bill, entitled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for the Speedy Trial of Criminals, &c.* Indorsed, “ By the Upper House of Assembly, May 24, 1766: Read the First and Second Time, by especial Order, and will Pass.”

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

Which Bill was Read here, and Passed for Ingrossing.

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

MONDAY,