

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, Dec. 4, 1766.

May it please your HONOURS,

THIS House, claim as their inherent, undoubted, and fundamental Right, the sole and exclusive Formation of all Money Bills, and therein to limit the Matter, Manner, Measure, and Time of all Grants, and Dispositions of Public Money, whatsoever; a Right so essential to the Liberties and Properties of those we represent, that we are determined never to give it up, or waive, or weaken it in any Manner.

We therefore return to your Honours, the Bill for the Payment of the Public Claims, for emitting Bills of Credit, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, whereon to indorse your Assent, or Negative, according to the established Mode of Parliamentary Proceeding.

But hope, from the evident Utility of the Bill, and to relieve the extreme Distress of the People, your Honours will give your Assent; as we are clearly of Opinion, it may in its present Frame, be well carried into Execution; and, that if any of the small Matters, pointed out by your Message, should be thought Imperfections, they may be aided at a Time of more Leisure, as well as those Material Defects you intimate to be in the Bill; but, which we are not at present able to discover.

Signed per Order,

M. MACNEMARA, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Which was sent to the Upper House, with the Bill, entitled, *An Act for Payment of the Public Claims, &c.* by Daniel Wolstenholme, Esq; and 14 more.

W. Murdock, Esq; brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker an Address to his Majesty: Which was Read the First and Second Time, approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

S. Chase, Esq; brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Frederick County, to levy, &c. a Quantity of Tobacco, for building a Stone Wall around the Prison, &c.* Which was Read and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill of the aforesaid Ingrossed Bill, by Mr. Bealle, and Mr. Wright.

B. Calvert, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act to aid defective Common Recoveries*: Indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, Dec. 4, 1766: Read the Second Time, and will Pass, Leaving out all that follows after the Word, "Notwithstanding," in the 5th Line of the last Page.

"Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Alterations being agreed to by this House, the said Bill was Indorsed: Read and Passed for Ingrossing.

The Governor's Messages of the 18th Ult. and of the Third Instant, were severally Read the Second Time.

And on Motion, ORDERED, That T. Johnson, T. Ringgold, Esqrs. Mr. Grahame, J. Hammond, J. Hall, of Annapolis, and D. Wolstenholme, Esqrs. do prepare and bring in Addresses to the Governor, in Answer thereto.

The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.

FRIDAY, December 5.

THE House met. All the Members appeared as on Yesterday, except Mr. Hall, of Baltimore.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the speedy Foreclosure of Mortgages*: Was referred, on the Second Reading, to the next Session of Assembly.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to remove a Nuisance in Baltimore-Town, in Baltimore County, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*: Was Read the Second Time and will Pass, and was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Lee, and Mr. Key.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to oblige infected Ships, and other Vessels, coming into this Province, to perform Quarantine*: Was Read the Second Time, and the Question was put, That the said Bill do Pass? Resolved in the Affirmative.

For the AFFIRMATIVE.

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| | | Sothoroll, | Hammond, | Dent, | Lee, | Chase, |
| | | Key, | Johnson, | Smallwood, | Hyland, | J. Hall, Annap. |
| | | Lloyd, | Mackall, | Ware, | Bealle, | Harris, |
| | | Buchanan, | E. Gantt, | Edmondson, | Jacob, | Chapline. |
| | | Worthington, | Grahame, | | | |

For the NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Ringgold, Henry, Earle, Wright, Smith. Which