

W E D N E S D A Y, J U N E 22.

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all appeared as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

The ingrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of the Poor within the several Counties therein mentioned*: Read, and assented to; and, with the Paper Bill, sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Selby, and Mr. Tyler.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to enable Thomas Hunt, Executor of William Hunt, late of London, Merchant, deceased, and Jonathan Smyth, Executor of Peter Bayard, late of Cæcil County, deceased, to pay the Monies therein mentioned*: Read the second Time, and will pass. Sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Selby, and Mr. Tyler.

John Ridout, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act to enable Thomas Hunt, Executor of William Hunt, &c. indorsed*: "By the Upper House of Assembly, June 22, 1768: Read the first and second Time, by especial Order, and will pass, with the following Amendment."

In the fourth Line, from the Bottom of the last Page, strike out the Words, "Two and an Half;" and insert, in the Place thereof, the Word "Five."

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

Which Amendment is rejected.

Mr. Hall brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Message:

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, June 22, 1768.

May it please your HONOURS,

WE cannot agree to make any Allowance to Mr. Ross's Executors, upon a Claim, so ancient as the Year Seventeen Hundred and Forty, which we find has been frequently rejected, and doubt not, on sufficient Reasons; and, by your State of the Matter, appears to have been relinquished, ever since the Year Seventeen Hundred and Fifty-three.

If your Honours incline to pass the Ordinance, agreeable to our Message, we shall prepare it: If not, the Claims proposed to be provided for, must lie over.

Signed by Order,

T. WRIGHT, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Which is read the first and second Time, approved of, and ordered to be ingrossed.

Mr. Allen, from the Committee of Aggrievances, and Courts of Justice, brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report:

By the COMMITTEE of Aggrievances and Courts of Justice, June 22, 1768.

IT appears to your Committee, from the Information of Three of the Delegates of St. Mary's County, That Richard Brown, Incumbent of King and Queen Parish, constantly resided out of his Parish, upwards of Three Years together, without procuring any Curate to officiate in his Stead. That, tho' he has lately returned to reside within his Parish, his long Course of immoral Conduct, and his being under a Prosecution for the supposed Murder of a Negro, has determined his Parishioners, universally, not to hear him; and, that the Growth of Popery and Superstition, are, as may be expected, attendant Consequences of such remis and immoral Conduct; but this Information having been given so late, your Committee could not make a full Enquiry and Examination into the Matter; but humbly conceive it highly proper and necessary, that there should be strict Enquiry into the Causes of the apparent Decay of the Established Religion, and the Growth of Popery and Superstition, not only in that Parish, but the Growth of Popery and Superstition, and an Increase of Sects, dissenting from the Established Church, in many other Parts of this Province.

All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of your Honourable House.

Signed by Order,

EDWARD FORD, Cl.

Which is read the first and second Time, by especial Order, and concurred with.

Mr. Johnson brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Address:

To his Excellency H O R A T I O S H A R P E, Esq; Governor of MARYLAND.

The humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES.

May it please your EXCELLENCY,

IN Answer to your Message of the Sixteenth, we are not surpris'd at the grievous Complaints of Contractors for the Transportation of Felons, against the Quarantine Law, at their Denial of notorious Facts, or Suppression of a considerable Circumstance, the profitable Price at which they generally sell the Convicts; nor that they should, when actuated solely by sordid Views, esteem the Health of the Inhabitants, light in the Scale against a Grain of their Profit: But we are surpris'd at the imaginary Importance of these People, as well as at the Ingratitude