

260 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, SEPTEMBER 1770.

On Motion, RESOLVED, That this House will, To-morrow Morning, at the Meeting of the House, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into Consideration the Regulation of Officers Fees.

The Letter and Papers presented by Mr. Speaker to the House read a Second Time.

*The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning VIII o'Clock.*

S A T U R D A Y, September 27, 1770.

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

Mr. Speaker reports to the House the following Certificates:

ANNE-ARUNDEL I HEREBY certify, that on the 29th Day of September 1770, came Thomas County, ss. Brooke Hodgkin before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace of the said County, and took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and signed the Test, and the following Oath, viz. "I Thomas Brooke Hodgkin do swear, that I will true Entries make, of all such Matters and Things as shall be to me directed by any Committee of the Lower House of Assembly for whom I shall act as Clerk, and that I will not divulge the Secrets of the said House, or of any Committee thereof; but will, in all Things, well and truly demean myself according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge." R. GHISELIN.

ANNE-ARUNDEL I HEREBY certify, that on the 29th Day of September 1770, came John Johnson before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace for the said County, and took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and signed the Test, and the following Oath, viz. "I John Johnson do swear, that I will true Entries make, of all such Matters and Things as shall be to me directed by any Committee of the Lower House of Assembly for whom I shall act as Clerk, and that I will not divulge the Secrets of the said House of Assembly, or of any Committee thereof; but will, in all Things, well and truly demean myself according to the best of my Knowledge." R. GHISELIN.

The engrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees, and the Supplementary Act thereto*, with the Paper Bill thereof, sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Wright and Mr. Gilpin.

They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered the Bills.

The Petition of Part of the Inhabitants of *St. Mary's County*, praying another Inspector may be appointed at *Llewellyn's Warehouse*, being read a Second Time, the same was granted.

George Stewart, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Paper Bill, entitled, *An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees, and the Supplementary Act thereto*; thus endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, September 28, 1770: The engrossed Bill, whereof this is the Original, read and assented to. Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

John Beale Bordley and William Fitzhugh, Esqrs. from the Upper House, acquaint Mr. Speaker, that the Governor requires the Attendance of this House in the Upper House, to see the Bill passed that lay before them.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair (and with the Members of this House) went to the Upper House, and there presented the following Bill to his Excellency.

An Act, entitled, *An Act continuing an Act, entitled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees, and the Supplementary Act thereto*.

Which his Excellency passed into a Law in the usual Manner.

Mr. Speaker (with the Members of this House) returned.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

John Beale Bordley, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Petition of *Lawrence Wilson*, with an Account thereto annexed; thus endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, September 29, 1770: Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly. Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Petition and Account were read here, and referred to the Committee of Accounts.

The Order of the Day being read, RESOLVED, That this House will, on Monday Morning, at the Meeting of the House, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into Consideration the Regulation of Officers Fees.

Mr. W. Thomas hath Leave of Absence.

William Fitzhugh, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Petition of *John Heard*, of *St. Mary's County*, praying an Act may pass to empower him to sell and dispose of the real Estate of *Richard Heard*, in Order to discharge the Debts of the said *Richard Heard*; thus endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, September 29, 1770: Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly. Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*The House adjourns till Monday Morning VIII o'Clock.*

M O N D A Y,