

Conveyance is not agreeable to the Act of Assembly of this Province relative to the Enrollment of Conveyances; and on the same Ninth of *November* Seventeen Hundred and Forty-five, the said *Josiah Conant* assigned over the said Leases unto the said *William Thornton*: That the said *William Thornton*, on the Fifth of *September* Seventeen Hundred and Forty-Seven, by Deed, properly executed, acknowledged and recorded, for the Consideration of Four Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds Eleven and Sixpence Sterling, conveyed the same Lands to the Petitioner and his Heirs: That the said *Abraham Barnes*, the Petitioner, for about Twenty Years past, hath been, and now is in the actual and sole Possession of the said Lands, under and by Virtue of the Conveyance aforesaid, from the said *William Thornton*: That it does not appear whether the said *Josiah Conant* is dead with or without Heirs.

All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the honourable House.

Signed per Order,

RALPH DOBINSON, Cl. Com.

Which was read a First and Second Time.

The Petition of *Abraham Barnes* was read a Second Time and granted.

Leave given to the Petitioner to bring in a Bill agreeable to the Prayer of the said Petition.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to repeal Part of an Act to encourage the destroying of Wolves, Crows and Squirrels*: Read the Second Time and will pass.

The Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the Report from the Committee appointed to examine into the several publick Offices, and report the State and Condition thereof, being read: ORDERED, That the said Report be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that an Act for repairing the Damages already sustained in the Records of the Land, Secretary's, Commissary's, and County Court Offices; and for the Security of the same Records for the future, made in the Year 1716, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that a Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, *An Act for the repairing the Damages already sustained in the Records of the Land, Secretary's, Commissary's, and County Court Offices, and for Security of the same Records for the future, made in the Year 1742*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that the Report of the Committee appointed to inspect into the State of the several publick Offices, *May 21, 1766*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that the Order of the 6th of *December 1766*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that the Report made by the Committee appointed to inspect into the Records and Proceedings in the several publick Offices, and to report the State and Condition thereof, in *June 1768*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that the Order of the 21st *June 1768*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that the Report of the Committee appointed to examine into the State of the several publick Offices, at *November Sessions 1769*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

The House was moved, that an Address to the Governor, of the 27th of *May 1766*, be read, and the same was read accordingly.

ORDERED, That the Committee appointed to inspect the several publick Offices, &c. do enquire into the Records of the Bonds passed by the Secretary, Commissary-General and Register of the Land Office, since 1742, and make Report thereof to the House.

*B. Calvert*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act to hold the Election of Representatives for Baltimore County, at the Places therein mentioned*; thus endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *October 23, 1770*: Read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, and will not pass.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

*Daniel Dulany*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Petition of sundry the Inhabitants in and near *Frederick-Town*, praying an Act may pass to establish a Market-House in *Frederick-Town*.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

*William Hayward*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Petition of *Jane Brown*, of *Cecil County*, praying an Act may pass to empower her to sell Part of the Lands of *John Brown*, her deceased Husband, for the Payment of the Debts of the said *John Brown*: Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

On Motion, Leave given to bring in a Bill for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *J. Hall*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *W. Paca*, and Mr. *Ringgold*, do prepare and bring in the same.

The House referred the Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the Report from the Committee appointed to examine into the several publick Offices, and report the State and Condition thereof, for further Consideration To-morrow Morning.

The Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the subject Matter of the Motion from the Committee of Accounts, relative to the Treasurers Accounts, being read, the same is referred for Consideration To-morrow Morning.

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