

The Order of the Day, for taking into further Consideration the Report of the Committee appointed to inspect the several publick Offices, &c. being read, the same is referred for Consideration on Monday Morning.

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

M O N D A Y, October 29, 1770.

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all appeared as on Saturday, except Mr. Gresham, Mr. Steele, and Mr. Hopper. The Proceedings of Saturday were read.

ORDERED, That the Serjeant at Arms, attending this House, do forthwith take into his Custody, the Bodies of *Robert Alexander* and *Thomas Jones*, and have them immediately at the Bar of this House, to answer at the Bar of this House, for a Breach of the Privileges of this House, and Contempt of the same.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to invest Isaac Perkins with an exclusive Privilege and Benefit of making and selling a Machine for threshing of Wheat, on a Model by him invented*, sent to the Upper House by Mr. Bordley and Mr. Buchanan.

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

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to impose a further Duty on Negroes, &c.* sent to the Upper House by Mr. N. Thomas and Mr. Smallwood.

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

Mr. Tilghman brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act to continue the Power of Inspectors, under the 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 for other Purposes therein mentioned*: Which was read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table. Read the Second Time, by an especial Order, and committed for Amendments.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act to ease the Inhabitants of this Province in the Payment of Attornies Fees*, sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Ringgold, Mr. John Hall, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Chase, Mr. W. Paca, Mr. Ringgold, Mr. N. Thomas, Mr. Bordley, and Mr. Mackall.

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

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to remedy a Defect in the Acknowledgment of a Conveyance, from Josiah Conant to William Thornton*, read the Second Time, and will pass. Sent to the Upper House by Mr. Eden and Mr. Mackall.

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

The engrossed Bill, entitled, *An Act for the building a Parish Church in Prince-George's County*, read and assented to. Sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Mr. Contee and Mr. Beall.

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

The Order of the Day, for taking into further Consideration the Report of the Committee appointed to inspect the several publick Offices, &c. being read, RESOLVED, That it is the Duty of the Register of the Land Office, fairly to transcribe the general Alphabet in the Land-Office.

RESOLVED ALSO, That it is the Duty of the Register of the Land-Office, to repair the particular Alphabets in the said Office, since the general Alphabet, and all Books now in his Office which are out of Repair.

ORDERED, That the Clerk of this House do deliver to the Register of the Land-Office a Copy of the above Resolves.

ORDERED, That a further Consideration on the said Report be had To-morrow Morning.

ORDERED, That the Register of the Land-Office do immediately attend at the Bar of this House, with Liber C. N<sup>o</sup>. 3. a Record-Book in the Land-Office.

J. B. Bordley, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act to prevent disabled and superannuated Slaves being set free, or the Manumission of Slaves by any last Will or Testament*; thus endorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, October 24, 1770: Read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

*Signed by Order,*

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

And thus; "By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1770: Read the Second Time, and will pass.

*Signed by Order,*

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Bill was read here the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Tilghman brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices, and to prevent Simoniack Contracts*: Which was read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

William Fitzhugh, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Bills, viz.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to remedy a Defect in the Acknowledgment of a Conveyance from Josiah Conant to William Thornton*.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to invest Isaac Perkins with an exclusive Privilege and Benefit of making and selling a Machine for threshing of Wheat, on a Model by him invented*. And,

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to divide St. John's Parish in Baltimore County*. Severally endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1770: Read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass.

*Signed by Order,*

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Bills were read here, and pass for engrossing.