

“ bly, October 31, 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 31, 1770: Read the Second Time,
“ by an especial Order, and will pass.
Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

Which Bill was read here, and pass for engrossing.

And the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of Nehemiah Tighman and Solomon Townsend, and to confirm the Contract made between the said Nehemiah Tighman and a certain Major Townsend*; thus endorsed: “ By the Upper House of Assembly, October 31, 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, November 1, 1770: Read the Second Time, and will pass with the following Amendment, viz. After the Word “ *jame*” in the last Line of the last Page, add as follows: “ Saving to the Heir of the said Major Townsend a Liberty of shewing Cause, if any he hath or can shew, to the Chancellor of this Province for the Time being, at any Time within Six Months after he shall arrive at the Age of Twenty-one Years, why the said Contract and Obligation, by the aforesaid Major Townsend entered into with the said Stephen Revell, ought not to have been specifically performed; and upon such Cause shewn, to the Satisfaction of the said Chancellor, that then this Act be void, any Clause, Matter or Thing, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.
Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

Which was read here with the Amendment, and pass for engrossing.

Daniel Dulany, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices, and to prevent Simoniackal Contracts*; thus endorsed: “ By the Upper House of Assembly, October 30, 1770: Read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.
Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

“ By the Upper House of Assembly, November 1, 1770: Read the Second Time, and will pass
“ with the Amendments annexed. Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

In the Third Page, and in the Fourteenth Line, after the Word “ *general*” insert “ *Judge of*,” and leave out the Words that follow after the Word “ *Office*” in the said Line, to the Word “ *committed*” in the Fifteenth Line inclusive. After the Word “ *Fee*,” in the Third Page, in the Oath prescribed, insert the following Words, viz. “ *and according to the Reservation of Part of the Profits, as expressed in my Appointment or Commission.*” And after the Word “ *Recovered*,” in the Sixth Line of the Fourth Page, leave out what follows, to the Word “ *publick*” inclusive, and insert the following Words; “ *by the Person who shall sue for the same, by Bill, Plaint. or Information.*” And after the Word “ *Office*,” in the Eighteenth Line of the said Page, insert the following Proviso, to wit: “ *PROVIDED ALWAYS, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act, or any Thing therein contained, shall not in any wise extend to be prejudicial or hurtful to any Reservation of Part of the Profits of an Office or Deputation, by the Person conferring such Office or Deputation, the said Reservation being expressed in the Commission or Appointment to such Office or Deputation; but that such Reservation shall have the same Effect as the same would or might have had before the making of this Act, and not otherwise, any Thing abovementioned notwithstanding.*” And after the Word “ *Consent*,” in the Seventh Line of the Fifth Page, add the following Words: “ *And that I will diligently and faithfully perform the several Duties appertaining unto my Office, according to the best of my Power and Ability.*” And in the Eleventh Line of the same Page, leave out the Words “ *or to resign his Benefice.*”

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

William Fitzhugh, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act to ease the Inhabitants of this Province in the Payment of Attornies Fees*; thus endorsed: “ By the
“ Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 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 31, 1770: Read the Second Time,
“ and will pass with the Amendment annexed.
Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”

After the Word “ *same*,” in the Fourth Line of the Fourth Page, insert as follows, viz. Whereas, by the Act, entitled, *An Act for rectifying the ill Practices of Attornies of this Province, and ascertaining Fees to the Attorney General, Clerk of Indictments, Attornies and Practitioners of the Law in the Courts of this Province, and for levying the same by Way of Execution*, it is amongst other Things expressly enacted, “ That if any Attorney, or other Person practising the Law in any of the Courts of this Province, do presume to ask, receive, take or demand, any greater or larger Fee than before by the said Act appointed, and be thereof legally convicted, he shall be incapable to practise the Law in any Court of this Province for the future.” And whereas it would be of very little Avail towards the Ease of Suitors, to regulate and limit the Fees of Lawyers, unless they be strictly held not to ask, receive, take or demand, any Fees beyond such Regulation and Limitation: Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Attorney or Lawyer shall plead the Cause of any Suitor, or appear in or undertake any Suit or Cause, in any Court of this Province, after the End of this present Session of Assembly, unless such Attorney or Lawyer, in each Court in which he shall practise, at the First Sitting thereof, at which such Attorney or Lawyer shall appear and undertake, or be concerned in any Suit or Cause, take and subscribe, in open Court, the Oath following, to wit: “ I, A. B. do solemnly
“ promise and swear, that I will not, during the Continuance of the Act, entitled, *An Act to
“ ease the Inhabitants of this Province in the Payment of Attornies Fees*, in any Manner, or of any
“ Person,