

" Person, directly or indirectly, ask, receive, take or demand, in Money, Tobacco, or in any other Matter or Thing, any greater or larger Satisfaction, Reward, Gratuity, or Fees, than by the said Act appointed. So help me God." And the Judges and Justices in and of the several Courts within this Province are required and enjoined, not to permit or suffer any Attorney or Lawyer to practise in their respective Courts, unless such Attorney or Lawyer shall first take and subscribe, in open Court, the Oath aforesaid. Provided always, that this Act, or any Thing therein contained, shall not extend to hinder any Attorney or Lawyer from finishing and bringing to a Determination, the Suits or Causes now depending, and in which they have been really and actually employed by any Party or Parties interested therein.

Which was read here with the Amendments, and unanimously rejected.

John Bate Bordley, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled *An Act for the Relief of Thomas Weems*; thus endorsed; "By the Upper House of Assembly, 1st November, 1770: Read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass."

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which was read here, and pass for engrossing.

The Serjeant at Arms, attending this House, makes Return of the Order of this Day to him directed; thus endorsed: "CEPI. ROBERT SANDERS, Serjeant at Arms."

The House being informed, that Mr. *William Stuart* was attending at the Door, in Obedience to the Order of this House,

ORDERED, That he be called in. He appeared accordingly, and alleged, that he acted in Obedience to the Orders of his Principals, and that he must continue so to act until otherwise ordered by them.

ORDERED, That the said *William Stuart*, for his said Offence, be committed Prisoner to the publick Jail, in the Custody of the Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County, and that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant accordingly: Which he did in the following Words: By the Lower House of Assembly, November 1, 1770: You are hereby authorized and required to receive into your Custody the Body of *William Stuart*, of the City of *Annapolis*, Gentleman, herewith sent you, for taking Notes of Hand, as Clerk of the Land-Office, for the Payment of Fees, contrary to Law; for imposing an Oath, as a Justice of the Peace, not appointed and required by Law; and for a high Contempt of this House: And him keep safe and close in the publick Jail, until he shall be thence discharged by Order of this House. And for your so doing this shall be your sufficient Warrant.

Signed per Order of the House,

F. TILGHMAN, Speaker.

To *John Clapham*, Esq; Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County, and Keeper of the publick Jail in the City of *Annapolis*.

ORDERED, That the Serjeant at Arms, attending this House, do deliver *William Stuart*, now in his Custody, to the Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County, with the said Warrant.

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

F R I D A Y, November 2, 1770.

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

The engrossed Bill N^o. 20, read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Mr. *Griffith* and Mr. *Tyler*.

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

Mr. *Lockett* brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act to establish a Market in Frederick-Town, in Frederick County, and for the Regulation of the said Market*: Which was read the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

The engrossed Bills, N^o. 21 and 22, read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bills thereof, by Mr. *N. Thomas* and Mr. *Allen*.

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

On Motion, ORDERED, That the Report of the Committee appointed to inspect the publick Offices, and to enquire from the several Officers, their Deputies, Registers or Clerks, into the annual Amount of the Fees that have accrued due to the said Officers of this Province for Seven Years last past, of the Third Day of *October*; and also the Report of the same Committee of the Twelfth Day of *October*, be printed in the next Week's *Maryland Gazette*, and be continued for Six Weeks successively.

Mr. *J. Hall* brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed to enquire into the Truth of the several Facts set forth in the Petition of *Edward Tilghman*, *Solomon Wright*, Attorney at Law, *Mary Wright*, Widow, *Francis Barnes, jun.* and *Philemon Murphy*, Farmers, and *James Coursey*, House Joiner, of *Queen-Anne's County*, and *Thomas Coursey*, *John Coursey*, and *Henry Coursey*, Mariners, and *Daniel Kellum*, of *Talbot County*, Planter.

IN Obedience to the Order of the honourable House, your Committee beg Leave to report, that it appears to your Committee, from an authenticated Copy of the Record, that Colonel *Vincent Lowe* made such Will and Codicil as set forth in the said Petition: That *Elizabeth*, the Widow of the said *Vincent Lowe*, intermarried with Col. *Will. Coursey*, and an Act of Assembly did pass, empowering them, the said *William* and *Elizabeth*, or the Survivor of them, to sell the said Lands:

That