

330 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER 1770.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act relating to Replevins*, was read a Second Time, and will not pass. Sent to the Upper House by Mr. Ringgold and Mr. Tilghman.

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

The Remonstrance of the Justices of *Anne-Arundel* County read a Second Time, and referred for Consideration till next Session.

The engrossed Bill, No. 9, read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Mr. N. Thomas and Mr. Purnell.

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

The Petition of *Robert Dick*, and others, read a Second Time, and referred till the Second Thursday of next Session.

The Petition of *William Reynolds* was read and rejected.

On Motion, Leave given to bring in a Bill for the Adjournment and Continuance of *Anne-Arundel* and *Frederick* County Courts.

ORDERED, That Mr. Mackall and Mr. Chase do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Mackall brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Adjournment and Continuance of Anne-Arundel and Frederick County Courts*: Which was read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass. Sent to the Upper House by Mr. Griffith and Mr. Wootton.

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

*William Fitzhugh*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Adjournment and Continuance of Anne-Arundel and Frederick County Courts*; thus endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, November 19, 1770: Read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, and will not pass.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Mr. Beall brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report:

By the COMMITTEE of GRIEVANCES and COURTS of JUSTICE, November 19, 1770.

YOUR Committee beg Leave to report, that it appears to them, from the Copies of the Records of *Queen-Anne's* County Court, hereto annexed, that Dr. *Joseph Haslett*, in November Term 1769, did agree to receive the Poor of that County under his Care, and provide for them sufficient Meat, Drink, Cloaths, Washing, Bedding, House-room, Medicines, Attendance, and every other Necessary of Life, for One Year from thence, for the Quantity of One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; and also to receive all such Persons, under his Care, and the like Provision, as the Justices of that County should, within the Year aforesaid, from Time to Time, order and send him, as proper Objects to be taken Care of by the County; and that all such Allowances, as should be made to Pensioners themselves, not put under his Care, should and might be deducted from the said Quantity of One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco. Whereupon the Justices of the said County did agree to levy, for the said *Joseph Haslett*, Fifty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, and the Residue that should be due to him, to be levied when the said Justices should be fully satisfied, that he had performed and complied with his Agreement aforesaid; and the said Justices did appoint Mess. *Christopher Cross Ruth*, *Turbutt Wright*, *Richard Mason*, and *Joshua Clark*, Gentlemen, Four of their Brethren, from Time to Time, to examine and see, that the Pensioners aforesaid were supplied with the Necessaries aforesaid, agreeable to the Intent of that Agreement; and that the Justices aforesaid, in Pursuance of the said Agreement, did assess and levy, on the taxable Inhabitants of the said County, the said Fifty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, and have ordered the same to be paid by the Sheriff to the Administratrix of the said *Joseph Haslett*. Which Agreement, so made and entered into by the Justices of *Queen-Anne's* County Court as aforesaid, your Committee are of Opinion, is a new and unwarranted Method of providing for the Poor, who cannot, as your Committee conceive, by any other Authority than that of the Legislature, be drawn and collected, especially without their own Consent, to One Place or common Receptacle; and the said levying and assessing the said Fifty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, in Pursuance of the said Agreement, your Committee are of Opinion was illegal. All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of your Honourable House.

Signed by Order,

THO. B. HODGKIN, Cl.

November Term, 1769.

MEMORANDUM. Dr. *Joseph Haslett* doth agree to receive the Poor of this County under his Care, and provide for them sufficient Meat, Drink, Cloaths, Washing, Bedding, House-room, Medicines, Attendance, and every other Necessary of Life, for One Year from this, for the Quantity of One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; and also to receive all such Persons under his Care, and the like Provision, as the Justices of this County shall, within the Year aforesaid, from Time to Time order and send to him, as proper Objects to be taken Care of by the County; and that all such Allowances as shall be made to Pensioners themselves, not put under his Care, shall and may be deducted from the said Quantity of 130,000 Pounds of Tobacco. Whereupon the Justices of this County do agree to levy for the said *Joseph Haslett* 50,000 Pounds of Tobacco, and the Residue that shall be due to him to be levied when the said Justices shall be fully satisfied that he hath performed and complied with his Agreement aforesaid; and the said Justices do appoint Mess. *Christopher Cross Ruth*, *Turbutt Wright*, *Richard Mason*, and *Joshua Clark*, Gent. Four of their Brethren, from Time to Time to examine and see that the Pensioners aforesaid are supplied with the Necessaries aforesaid, agreeable to the Intent of this Agreement.