

Mr. Johnson added to the Committee appointed upon the Draft of the Bill for the Inspection of Flour, &c. in Baltimore-Town.

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

By the COMMITTEE appointed by the honourable the Lower House of Assembly to enquire into the Allegations and Facts contained in the Petition of Anne Gaither.

YOUR Committee; in Obedience to the Order of your honourable House, have enquired into the several Facts and Allegations therein contained, and do find, from the Information of *Iaac Harris* and *Elisabeth Perry*, that the Dwelling-House in the Occupation of *Anne Gaither*, was, in the Year 1765, pulled down and torn to Pieces by a Number of People; since which Time the said *Anne Gaither*, at her own Expence, has rebuilt the same, and repaired all the Damage done at that Time on the Premises, for which there was, in November 1766, an Allowance of £. 100 made to the Representatives of *Samuel Gaither*, £. 75 of which the said *Anne Gaither* has received; and it appears to your Committee, that she is entitled to the remaining £. 25, as the Damage was repaired solely by her, and the Premises now are in a better State than they were before the Damage was done, as the abovesaid *Harris* and *Elisabeth Perry* do on Oath declare.

Your Committee beg Leave to mention, that it appears that *Benjamin Tasker*, Esq; made and executed a Lease of Part of a Lot of Ground, whereon the said House stood, to *Samuel Gaither*, the late Husband of the said *Anne*, dated the 15th Day of October 1759; and that the said *Samuel Gaither*, by his Last Will and Testament, dated the 23d Day of September 1762, devised the said House and Lot of Ground to *Mary Gaither* and *Cassandra Gaither*, Sisters of the said *Samuel*; and that *Anne Gaither*, the Petitioner, purchased of *Edward Norwood*, who intermarried with the said *Mary*, One Fourth Part of the said Lot of Ground, for the Sum of £. 12 : 10, as per Deed, bearing Date the 16th Day of November 1763, legally acknowledged and recorded, as appears to your Committee. All which is humbly submitted to the honourable House.

Signed by Order, RALPH DOBINSON, Cl.

Which was read and concurred with, and the Consideration thereof referred till next Session.

The engrossed Bill, N^o. 10, read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Mr. Heugh and Mr. Luckett.

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

The engrossed Bill, N^o. 11, read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Mr. Deye and Mr. Aquila Hall.

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

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to ease the Inhabitants of this Province in the Payment of Attornies Fees and Dues to the Clergy*, sent to the Upper House by Mr. Worthington and Mr. Beall.

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

The Report brought in Yesterday by Mr. Beall read and concurred with. The Consideration of which is referred till the Second Day of next Session.

John Beale Bordley, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Paper Bills, N^o. 10 and 11, severally endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, November 21, 1770.

"The engrossed Bill, whereof this is the Original, read and assented to.

Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

William Fitzhugh, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act to continue the Power of Inspectors, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*; thus endorsed:

"By the Upper House of Assembly, November 20, 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 21, 1770: Read the Second Time by an especial Order, and will pass with the following Amendments. Leave out, in the

"Title, the Words "and for other Purposes therein mentioned." After the Word "Warehouses," in the Sixteenth Line of the Second Page, leave out the Residue of the Bill.

Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which was read with the Amendments, and passed for engrossing.

George Stewart, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, *An Act to ease the Inhabitants of this Province in the Payment of Attornies Fees and Dues to the Clergy*; thus endorsed:

"By the Upper House of Assembly, November 21, 1770: Read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, and will not pass.

Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Mr. Bordley hath Leave of Absence.

ORDERED, That the Tables of Fees, and the Clauses dependent thereon, in the Bill, entitled, *An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Regulation of Officers Fees*, be immediately printed, and that Four Copies thereof be sent to each Member of the present Lower House of Assembly.

On Motion, RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY, That the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, having so far agreed on the Bill for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Regulation of Officers Fees, as that the County Levy, Clergy's Dues, and Attornies Fees, should be payable in Tobacco or Money, at the Election of those who should be chargeable therewith; and it being the Duty of the General Assembly, to enact and provide wholesome Laws, for the Ease, Welfare, and Happiness of the People of this Province, the Upper House of Assembly, after their Negative on the said Bill, ought to have assented to the Bills formed by this House, to provide for the Payment of the County Levy, Clergy's Dues and Attornies Fees, in that Manner.

RESOLVED,