

By the COMMITTEE appointed to tax the Fees and Allowances on the Complaint of John Hamilton and Benjamin Belt, against John Frederick Augustus Priggs, Deputy Surveyor of Prince George's County.

YOUR Committee, in Obedience to the Order of the Honourable House, have proceeded to tax the said Fees and Allowances as follow, viz.

To the Clerk for issuing Two Subpœnas, the one against Edward Magruder to testify, the other against the Defendant to appear and answer, at 3s each,	0	6	0
To the Clerk for a Copy of the Report, at Request of the Defendant,	0	4	0
To the Serjeant for serving the above Subpœnas,	0	6	0
To the Serjeant for the Hire of a Man and Horse to go down to the lower Part of Prince George's, 4 Days, at 10s per Day,	2	0	0
To the Messenger's Expences, and Horse Hire,	2	6	0
To John Hamilton for 8 Days Attendance at Three different Sessions, viz. 1769, 1770, 1771, at 5s	2	0	0
To Itinerent Charges for coming and going 4 Times to Prince George's 12 Days, at 5s	3	0	0
To Benjamin Belt for 6 Days Attendance at Two different Sessions, viz. 1770 and 1771, at 5s	1	10	0
To Itinerent Charges for coming and going 3 Times to Prince George's 9 Days, at 5s	2	5	0
To the Messenger riding Two Days to serve Summons on Edward Magruder, and Two Days Horse Hire and Expences,	1	15	0
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All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed by Order,

JOHN C. JONES, Cl.

Which was read a Second Time, and the House concurs therewith.

Mr. Priggs was then called to the Bar, and Mr. Speaker reprimanded him according to the Resolution of the House, and acquainted him, that he was discharged upon Payment of the Fees, agreeable to the above Taxation, which the Officers would give him an Account of.

The Serjeant at Arms informing this House, that John Frederick Augustus Priggs had refused to pay the Fees and Allowances before taxed, alleging that he ought not to pay them; which being acknowledged by said Priggs himself, it is thereupon ordered, that the said John Frederick Augustus Priggs be taken into the Custody of the Serjeant at Arms for a Contempt of the Authority of this House, and till he pay and discharge said Fees and Allowances, and that the Speaker issue his Warrant to the Serjeant accordingly; which Mr. Speaker did in the following Words.

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, 26th October, 1771.

WHEREAS John Frederick Augustus Priggs is guilty of a Contempt of the Authority of this House, in refusing to pay the Fees taxed against him pursuant to the Order of this House; you are therefore hereby authorized and required, to take into your Custody the Body of the said John Frederick Augustus Priggs, for the Contempt aforesaid, and him for the same Contempt in your Custody safe keep, until he be discharged therefrom by Order of this House; and for your so doing this shall be your sufficient Warrant.

To the Serjeant at Arms attending
the Lower House of Assembly.

Signed per Order of the House,
E. TILGHMAN, Speaker.

The House being informed, that Mr. Arnold Elzey, Deputy Surveyor of Somerset County, was attending at the Door in Obedience to the Order of this House of the 10th Instant; ORDERED, That he be called in; and he appeared accordingly.

The House having heard what Mr. Elzey had to say, discharged him without Payment of Fees.

The Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the Representation of the Justices of Anne-Arundel County, relative to the Publick Jail, being read; ORDERED, That the same be referred to Thursday next.

The House adjourns till Monday Morning 9 o'Clock.

M O N D A Y, October 28th, 1771.

THE House met. All Members present as on Saturday, except Mr. Gresham, and Mr. Hammond. The Proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Wootton appeared in the House.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to prevent the Exportation of Flour, Staves and Shingles, not merchantable, from the Town of Baltimore or Fell's-Point, in Baltimore County, and to regulate the Weight of Hay, and Measure of Grain, Salt, Flax-seed and Fire Wood, within the said Town*, was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Smallwood brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act to remedy divers Defects in the Records of Charles County*; which was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for confirming to Samuel Cookson, of Baltimore County, sundry Lands therein mentioned*, was read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

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