

12 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, JUNE 1773.

of Anne Arundel County. — A Petition for a School at the Coal Springs. — A Petition of Philip Lewis, praying a Pardon may be made him for Services by him done during the last War. — And, a Petition of sundry Inhabitants of Frederick County, praying for certain Roads to be made in the said County. — Severally indorsed; “ By the Upper House of Assembly, June 22, 1773: Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

“ Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”
Which said Petitions were severally read here the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.
The House adjourns till 3 o’Clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The House met.

His Excellency communicates to Mr. Speaker the following Message.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

I AM informed, that the Executor of the late Treasurer of the Western Shore hath in his Hands a considerable Sum of Money due to the publick Schools, that many of them are in great Want of their Dividends, and have requested Payment, but that the Executor, though desirous to pay, is advised he cannot do it legally.

A long Delay of Payment may be very injurious to the Schools, and I submit it to you, Gentlemen, to make such legal Provision as may effectually prevent this Inconvenience in future.

22d June, 1773.

ROB. EDEN.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House being informed that Mr. William Smallwood, a Delegate returned for Charles County, was attending; ORDERED, That Mr. Ware and Mr. Hawkins do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House to see him qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

The Petition of Samuel Litten and the Petition of Alexander Cumming, which stood referred from October Session, 1771, to the Second Tuesday in the next Session, were again referred for Consideration To-morrow Morning.

Mr. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices.* Which was read the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning 9 o’Clock.

W E D N E S D A Y, June 23, 1773.

THE House met. All Members present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

The House being informed, that Mr. Peter Chaille, a Delegate returned for Worcester County, and Mr. Peter Waters, a Delegate returned for Somerset County, were attending; ORDERED, That Mr. Wilson and Mr. Robins do go with those Gentlemen to the Upper House to see them qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they saw them qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentlemen took their Seats in the House.

Agreeable to Order of Yesterday, the House took into Consideration the Petition of Alexander Cumming, and the Report made thereon, and ordered, that the Sum of Eighty Pounds common Current Money be allowed to the Executors of Philip Hammond the Mortgagee, for the Damage done the Houses, &c. mentioned in the said Petition.

ORDERED, That Mr. Poca, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Wilson, do prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the Allowance made by the House on the said Petition.

On the Prayer of Samuel Litten, his Petition is withdrawn.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending the Staple of Tobacco, and for preventing Frauds in his Majesty’s Customs; and that Mr. Wilson, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Chase, Mr. Poca, Mr. Beall, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Sim, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Smallwood, and Mr. Contee, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for reviving and continuing an Act, entitled, *An Act for amending and repairing the publick Roads in Baltimore County;* and that Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Deye, and Mr. Tolly, do prepare and bring in the same.

William Fitzhugh, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Paper Bill, entitled, *An Act concerning Estates-tail and the Jurisdiction of the County Courts;* thus indorsed: “ By the Upper House of Assembly, June 21, 1773: Read the Third Time and ordered to be ingrossed.”

“ Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”
Also the ingrossed Bill thereof, thus indorsed; “ By the Upper House of Assembly, June 23, 1773: Read and assented to.”

“ Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.”
Which said ingrossed Bill was read here and assented to.

Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Petitions of sundry languishing Prisoners in the several County Jails in this Province; thus indorsed; “ By the Upper House of Assembly, June 23, 1773: Read the Petitions of the several Prisoners, whereof there is a List within, and referred the same to the Consideration of the Lower