

ROBERT EDEN, Esq; Governor. 19

this Province of Maryland, on the Sixteenth Day of March, Seventeen Hundred and One-Two, was "enacted by legal and constitutional authority," and therefore is in full Force and Virtue.

If, upon a dispassionate, and mature Consideration, you should not deem it improper at this Time, when Suits are depending on the Validity of the Act of 1701-2, for either or both Houses to publish their Sentiments on the Question, as they may tend to influence the Determinations of the Courts, we shall be ready to enter into a full Discussion of the Subject, on your Communication to us of the Reasons which may have induced you to entertain the Opinion, that the "Act of 1701-2 was not enacted by legal and constitutional Authority, and is therefore void."

We are not only persuaded that the declared Foundation of your Bill is entirely defective, but also that the Provisions of it, aiming to establish an Equality in the respective Incomes of the Ministers, would, if admitted, impose an unequal Tax on the People, and oppressive on such, as reside in some of the smaller Parishes, as well as damp the emulous Exertions of Merit which the Hopes of Preferment are wont to animate.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the Table.

Daniel Dulany, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Paper Bills, No. 2, 3, severally indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, June 26, 1773: The ingrossed Bill, whereof this is the original, read and assented to.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock.

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

The House met.

On Progression in reading the Bill to ease the People of this Province from trivial Suits in the County Courts, the Question was put, That the Magistrate who writes and issues a Warrant be paid for his trouble? Resolved in the Affirmative.

For the **A F F I R M A T I V E.**

Messrs	Bond,	Lyles,	Ridgely,	Hammond,	Chaille,
	Barnes,	Parran,	Deye,	Waters,	Wootton,
	Worthington,	Ware,	Gilpin,	Holland,	Beatty,
	Chafe,	Courts,	Beall,	Purnell,	Griffith.
	J. Hall,	J. Ennalls,			

For the **N E G A T I V E.**

Messrs	Key,	Hawkins,	Tolly,	Hyland,	Brown,
	Ringgold,	Smallwood,	A. Hall,	Wilfon,	So. Wright,
	Maxwell,	Richardson,	Ward,	Chamberlaine,	Earle,
	Johnson,	W. Ennalls,	Veazy,	Thomas,	Robins.
	Somervelle,				

The Bill was then read throughout, and the Question was put, That the said Bill do pass? Resolved in the Affirmative.

For the **A F F I R M A T I V E.**

Messrs	Bond,	Parran,	Ridgely,	Beall,	Holland,
	Barnes,	Hawkins,	Deye,	Hammond,	Robins,
	Key,	Ware,	Tolly,	Wilfon,	Purnell,
	Maxwell,	Courts,	Aq. Hall,	Waters,	Chaille,
	Worthington,	Smallwood,	Ward,	Chamberlaine,	Wootton,
	J. Hall,	Richardson,	Veazy,	Thomas,	Beatty.
	Somervelle,	W. Ennalls,	Hyland,	Brown,	
	Lyles,	J. Ennalls,	Gilpin,	Earle,	

For the **N E G A T I V E.**

Messrs	Ringgold,	Johnson,	Chafe,	Paca,	So. Wright.
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William Howard, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill, entitled, *An Act to prevent counterfeiting the Paper Money of other Colonies*; thus indorsed; "By the Upper House of Assembly, June 26, 1773: Read the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

"By the Upper House of Assembly, P. M. June 26, 1773: Read the Second Time and will pass."

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Bill was read here, and passed for ingrossing.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the enlargement of Baltimore-Town*, was read the First and Second Time, by an especial Order, passed, and sent to the Upper House, with the Bill to ease the People of this Province from trivial Suits in the County Courts, by Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Hammond.

The House adjourns till Monday Morning 9 o'Clock.

MONDAY,