

ORDERED, That the Report on the Petition of *Edward Smoot* be read a second Time, and it was read accordingly.

ORDERED, That the Petition of *Edward Smoot* be read, and it was read accordingly and granted, and Leave given to the Petitioner to bring in a Bill pursuant to the Prayer of the said Petition, saving the Right of the Infant in the usual Manner.

*William Hayward*, Esq; from the Upper House delivers to Mr. Speaker the Paper Bill, No. I. thus indorsed "By the Upper House of Assembly, *October 26, 1773.* The ingrossed Bill whereof this is the Original: Read and assented to.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

A Petition of *Stepney Parish*, thus indorsed "By the Upper House of Assembly, *October 27, 1773:* Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

And a Petition of sundry Inhabitants of *Worcester County*, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *October 26, 1773.* Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which Petitions were read here and ordered to lie on the Table.

The ingrossed Bill, No. II. was read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House with the Paper Bill thereof, by Mr. *Griffith* and Mr. *Beatty*.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Enlargement of the Powers of the Trustees and Visitors of *King William School*, and for the more easy Dispatch of Business therein, and that Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Johnson*, and Mr. *J. Hall*, do prepare and bring in the same.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of Officers Fees*, was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Sale of the Capital Bank Stock belonging to this Province, and that Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Johnson*, and Mr. *J. Hall*, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, ORDERED, That the Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, and Churchwardens of *Saint Anne's Parish*, which was referred from last to the next Session, be read; and it was read accordingly, 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,

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to enable Martha Roundell and others to make Partition of the Land therein mentioned*; was read the second Time by an especial Order, and will pass.

The Bill, entitled, *A Supplement to the Act*, entitled, *An Act for the building of a Parish Church in Christ Church Parish, in Calvert County*; was read the second Time, and will pass.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors and other Prisoners*, was read the second Time, and will not pass. The said Bills were sent to the Upper House by Mr. *Sim*, and Mr. *Somervell*.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for more effectually preventing the buying and selling of Offices*, was read the first Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning 9 o'Clock,

T H U R S D A Y , *October 28, 1773.*

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

Mr. *Paca* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Sale of the Capital Bank Stock belonging to this Province*; which was read the first and second Time by an especial Order and will pass.

The Order of the Day being read, the Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, &c. of *All Saint's Parish*, and the Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, &c. of *Saint Luke's Parish*, which were referred from Wednesday the 20th Instant, for Consideration this Day, are further referred till Monday the 8th Day of *November* next.

*George Stewart*, Esq; from the Upper House delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of the Staple of Tobacco, and for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs*, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *October 22, 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, *October 28, 1773:* Read the second Time and will not pass.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

With the following Message.