

" in or towards the Payment and Discharge of the Fees for which such Prisoner hath been or
 " shall be committed; *Provided always*, That if the highest Price for the Prisoner to be sold as
 " aforesaid, shall exceed the Sum or Amount of the Fees aforesaid, then and in such Case,
 " there shall be an Abatement of the Time of the Service of such Prisoner to be sold as afore-
 " said, in Proportion to the Part of the Purchase Money, which shall remain after Payment and
 " Discharge of the Fees aforesaid, and the Purchaser of such Servant shall be discharged of and
 " from such Surplus or remaining Part of the said Purchase Money after Payment of the Fees
 " aforesaid."

Which was read, and the Amendments were read and unanimously rejected.

The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock.

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

The House met. Mr. *Somervell* appeared in the House.

A Bill, entitled, *An Act for an Addition to Baltimore Town, in Baltimore County*, was read the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Daniel Dulany, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of fundry the Inhabitants on *Pataxent River*, praying that an Act may pass to prevent any Obstruction in the said River (by making Wares and Causeways over the same) from the Wharf at *Queen-Anne Town*, in *Prince-George's County*, to *Snowden's Iron-Works*, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *December 15, 1773*: Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

" Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which was read here the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Benjamin Ogle, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of *Matthew Purnell*, of *Worcester County*, praying that an Act may pass requiring the Clerk of *Worcester County*, to record a Deed from *Robert Nilson*, to the Petitioner, for certain Lands by the said *Nilson* to him conveyed, which he through Ignorance neglected to get recorded agreeable to Law, and that the said Deed may be declared to be valid in Law, to pass the Lands therein mentioned to the Petitioner and his Heirs, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *December 15, 1773*: Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

" Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which was read here the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

John Ridout, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of the Rector, Vestrymen, and Churchwardens, and other the Inhabitants of *Saint Paul's Parish*, lying partly in *Queen-Anne's* and partly in *Talbot Counties*, praying that an Act may pass to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish, at Three equal annual Assessments, the Quantity of Three Hundred Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, to be by the Vestry applied towards defraying the Expence of building and compleating the Parish Church in the said Parish, and to reimburse the Vestry the Money taken up by them to carry on the said Building, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *December 15, 1773*: Read and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

" Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

Which was read here and referred till the Second Tuesday in next Session of Assembly.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for emitting Bills of Credit, and for applying Part thereof*, was read the Second Time 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,	Worthington,	Tyler,	Hammond,
		Key,	Smallwood,	Chase,	Sim,	Beatty,
		Barnes,	Ware,	J. Hall,	Contee,	Griffith,
		Somervell,	Hawkins,	Richardson,	Paca,	Funk.
		Lyles,	Johnson,	Beall,		

For the N E G A T I V E.

Messrs	{	Ringgold,	Deye,	Thomas,	Veazy,	Earle,
		Maxwell,	Aq. Hall,	Lloyd,	Hyland,	So. Wright,
		Sudler,	Tolly,	White,	Ward,	T. Wright.
		Kidgely,	Chamberlaine,			

Mr. *Johnson* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, *An Act for raising and applying Money towards erecting and maintaining a Light-House on Cape Henry*, which was read the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day for taking into Consideration the Petition of *Anne Abigail Armit* being read, the same is referred for Consideration on the First Wednesday in next Session of Assembly.

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