

Which was read. On Motion, ORDERED, That the Message from the Upper House by Benjamin Ogle, Esq; of the 22d December last, be read, and it was read accordingly. Whereupon the Account of James Brooks was unanimously rejected.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to preserve the Independence of the Members of the Lower House of Assembly of this Province*, 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,	Lyles,		Deye,		Gilpin,		Funk,			
		Maxwell,	Parran,		Ridgely Son of		Ward,		Bond Son of Tho ^s .			
		Ringgold,	Weems,		John,		Purnell,		Dallam,			
		Worthington,	Waters,		Tyler,		Robins,		Love,			
		J. Hall,	Ridgely,		Earle,		Griffith,		Aq. Hall.			
		Hammond,	Tolly,									

	For the	N	E	G	A	T	I	V	E.
Mess.	{	Barnes,	Paca,		Chamberlaine,		T. Wright,		Hyland,
		Johnson,	Somervell,		Sim,		So. Wright,		Beatty.
		Chase,	Steele,		Contee,				

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

SATURDAY, April 16, 1774.

THE House met. All Members present as on Yesterday except Mr. Beall and Mr. Hawkins, who had Leave of Absence, and Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Paca, who had not Leave. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

On reading a second Time the Application of Charles Wilson Peale, of the City of Annapolis, Limner; This House accept of the very genteel Present of the Portrait of the Earl of Chatham, offered the legislative Body of this Province: And thereupon do appoint the honourable Speaker and the Representatives of Anne-Arundel County and of the City of Annapolis to receive and take Care of the same, and to direct any Alterations they may think proper to be made in said Portrait: And, as a Compliment to Mr. Peale, request his Acceptance of the Sum of One Hundred Pounds common Money.

Mr. Chamberlaine brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the Journal of Accounts. Which was read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House by Mr. Chamberlaine and Mr. Sim.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act to preserve the Independence of the Members of the Lower House of Assembly of this Province*, and the ingrossed Bills, No. 13, 14, 16, and the Paper Bills thereof, with the Paper Bill, No. 15, were sent to the Upper House by Mr. Tyler and Mr. Hammond.

On Motion, the Question was put, that the Bill, entitled, *An Act relating to the public Roads in Anne-Arundel, Baltimore, and Frederick Counties*, be referred to the next Session of Assembly? Carried in the Negative.

	For the	N	E	G	A	T	I	V	E.
Messrs	{	Key,	Chase,		Deye,		Earle,		Ward,
		Barnes,	Somervell,		Ridgely Son of		T. Wright,		Funk,
		Maxwell,	Steele,		John,		So. Wright,		Beatty,
		Ringgold,	Ridgely,		Sim,		Hyland,		Aq. Hall,
		Johnson,	Tolly,		Contee,		Gilpin,		Dallam.

	For the	A	F	F	I	R	M	A	T	I	V	E.
Mess.	{	Bond,	Hammond,		Waters,		Purnell,		Griffith,			
		Worthington,	Lyles,		Chamberlaine,		Robins,		Bond Son of Tho ^s .			
		J. Hall,	Parran,		Tyler,							

David of St. Thomas Jemser, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill, entitled, *A supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act to prevent the injuring Harbours within this Province, and for repealing the Act therein mentioned*; the Bill, entitled, *An Act to empower the Justices of Somerset and Worcester Counties, to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of Coventry Parish in said Counties, the Quantity of Thirty-two Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, for the Uses therein mentioned*; and the Bill, entitled, *An Act empowering John Done, Sheriff of Worcester County, to execute for the public Levy, Deputy Commissary's and Attornies Fees*; severally indorsed; "By the Upper House of Assembly, April 16, 1774: Read the first and second Time by an especial Order and will pass."

Which were severally read here and passed for ingrossing. Signed by Order, JAMES BROOKS, Cl. Up. Ho."

On Progression in reading the Bill, entitled, *An Act relating to the public Roads in Anne-Arundel, Baltimore, and Frederick Counties*, the Question was put, that where a Jury shall be called in