

Walter Dulany, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Petition of the Inhabitants of Chester Town; the Petition of Anne Catharine Green; the Petition of the Reverend Mr. M'Pherson; the Petition of sundry Inhabitants of Kent County; the Petition from the Vestry of Chester Parish, in Kent County; and a Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of Cæcil.

Which Petitions were severally indorsed: "May 30, 1768: Read, and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly.

" Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

John Ridout, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Petition of the Inhabitants of Baltimore County, thus indorsed: "Read, and referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly. Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

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

The House adjourns till To-Morrow Morning IX o'Clock.

### T U E S D A Y, M A Y 31.

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all appeared as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

Mr. Ringgold appeared in the House.

ORDERED, That Mr. Hanson be added to the Committee appointed to inspect the Accounts and Proceedings of the Commissioners appointed by virtue of the Act for the Payment of the Public Claims, for emitting Bills of Credit, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

ORDERED, That Mr. Worthington, Mr. N. Thomas, and Mr. Bordley, be added to the Committee appointed to inspect into the several Public Offices, and report to the House the State and Condition of them.

ORDERED, That Mr. Ringgold, and Mr. Bordley, be added to the Committee appointed to make an Estimate of the Salaries of Three Judges of the Provincial Court, and also to consider of Ways and Means to defray the Expence thereof, and report the same.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Chester Town, read a second Time; and Leave given to bring in a Bill agreeable to the Prayer thereof. ORDERED, That Mr. Ringgold, Mr. Bordley, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Hollyday, Mr. M. Tilghman, and Mr. Hall, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hayward brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Adjournment and Continuance of Talbot, Baltimore, and Cæcil County Courts.*

Which is read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Chase brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed to make an Estimate of the Salaries of Three Judges of the Provincial Court, and also to consider of Ways and Means to defray the Expence thereof, and report the same, May 31, 1768.

YOUR Committee are of Opinion, that the annual Expence for the Support and Maintenance of the said Judges, will amount, as appears by the following Estimate, to £. 1466 : 13 : 4

The Chief Judge's Salary, a-Year, - - - - - £. 666 : 13 : 4  
The Two Puisne Judges, at 400*l.* each, per Annum, - 800 : 00 : 0

£. 1466 : 13 : 4

For defraying of which annual Expence, your Committee beg Leave to recommend to the Honourable House, the following Funds:

A Tax on Ordinary Licences, at 4 <i>l.</i>	- - - - -	£. 800 : 0 : 0
A Tax on Hawkers and Pedlers, at 4 <i>l.</i>	- - - - -	80 : 0 : 0
A Tax on Riding Carriage Wheels, at 4 <i>s.</i>	- - - - -	480 : 0 : 0
A Tax on every Judgment to be rendered in the Provincial Court in Civil Causes, including Common Recoveries, at 8 <i>s.</i>	- - - - -	120 : 0 : 0

£. 1480 : 0 : 0

All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed per Order,

JOHN DUCKETT, Cl. Com.

Which is read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

On reading the Second Time, by especial Order, the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Adjournment and Continuance of Talbot, Baltimore, and Cæcil County Courts;* The Question was put, Whether that Part of the said Bill, which relates to Baltimore County, be struck out? Resolved in the Negative. The Question was then put, Whether the said Bill do pass? Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED,