

year for out on hundred and forty four, your Committee are therefore of opinion, that an Act ought to pass to make valid the deed aforesaid. All which is submitted to the consideration of your honorable House.

Signed by Order Arch Harrison Sr. Secy

which was read, concurred with, the petition granted, and leave given to bring in a Bill pursuant to the Prayer thereof.

The engrossed Bills from N^o 6 to 17 inclusive, were severally read and reported to, and sent to the Senate, with the Paper Bills thereof by Mr. Jordan and Mr. Worthington.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for joining the Dille of the Proprietors of Lots and Houses, in Charles Town in Charles County, was read a first and second time by special Order, passed, and sent to the Senate by Mr. Smith and Mr. Alexander.

The House House adjourns till To Morrow Morning 9 o'Clock

Friday December 17th 1779

The House met. Present as on Yesterday, except Mr. S. Hanson, Mr. Williams and Mr. Deschield

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read

Mr. Alexander brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, An Act to empower the Vestry of Saint Pauls Parish in Baltimore County, to exchange certain Lands with Thomas Harrison for the use of said Parish and for other Purposes therein mentioned which was read the first and second time by special Order, passed, and sent to the Senate by Mr. Mochin & Mr. Alexander.

A Bill entitled, An Act for the Relief of Joseph Cowman, of Ann Arundel County, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the Table

The Amendments to the Bill relating to the Estates of deceased Persons were read the second time: the 1st, 2^d, 3^d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th agreed to, and the 13th rejected unanimously

Ordered, That a Message be prepared to the Senate acquainting them therewith
Ordered That Mr. Hall, Mr. Chase, Mr. Sotherbury, Mr. Busb, Mr. Job, and Mr. Henry do prepare and bring in the same — On Motion, Ordered, That Mr. Smith, Mr. Leinda, Mr. Ruggold, and Mr. Anker, be a Committee to make out a list of Medicines reported by the Committee appointed to enquire into the Auditor's Office &c.

Mr. Sprigg brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, An Act for the Regulation of the Staple of Tobacco, and for other Purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the Table

Mr. Worthington, Esq. from the Senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of Abraham Sutcliffe a Nonjuror in Baltimore County; a Petition of sundry subscribing Inhabitants of said County; a Petⁿ of sundry other Inhabitants of said County; a Petition of Thomas Hutchins of said County; severally endorsed; By the Senate December 16th 1779 Read and referred to the Consideration of the House of Delegates. By Order
"H. Ridgely Secy"

Which were severally read, and granted so far as relates to the Trouble Tax only, except that of Thomas Hutchins which was granted agreeable to his Prayer

And a petition of Henry Steuerson, late Sheriff of Baltimore County, praying to be relieved from paying 15th Cent into the Treasury for not having made his Collection in Time, thus endorsed;

By the Senate December 17th 1779 Read and referred to the Consideration of the House of Delegates
By Order "H. Ridgely Secy" Which was read and referred to Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Sotherbury, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Mochin and Mr. Hammond to report thereon

A Petition of sundry Nonjurors in Queen Annes County, and a petition of Richard Adderton, of Prince Georges County, a Nonjuror, was severally read & granted, so far as relates to the trouble Tax only —

Mr. Job brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Message, which was read and ordered to be engrossed.
Adjourned till 3 o'Clock