

Lib. 41. And for the Bill for Division of Saint Paul's Parish.

To the Honble Speaker for his Fees.	5 .. —
To William Taylard Clerk of this House	2 . . 10

Brought into the House a Bill for laying an Imposition of
 p. 19 6^d p Hhd on Tobacco towards defraying the Charge of building
 the Stadt House. Indorsed December the 9th 1704. By the
 House of Delegates. Read the first & second Times & by
 especial Order do pass. W Taylard Cl. Ho. Del.

Ordered That Col^o Smallwood, Col^o Maxfield, M^r Tyler, M^r
 Mackall, M^r Beale, M^r Blay, M^r Wells, M^r Hill, M^r Hudson &
 M^r Macclaster carry up the Bill to the Council for their Con-
 currence. They return and say they delivered the Bill.

The Petition of William Morington praying a Discharge
 of some Goods seized and unjustly detained &^{ta} Indorsed as
 follows.

By his Excellency the Governor & Council
 December 9th 1704.

This Petⁿ being read Ordered That the Naval Officer at
 Williamstadt discharge the Seizure to which we desire the
 Concurrence of the House.

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl Council.

Upon reading the said Petition & Order thereupon this
 House concurred thereof to discharge the Seizure the Petitioner
 allowing the Naval Officer 40s for his Pains & Trouble. Which
 was likewise indorsed & delivered to the Pet^r

The House taking under Consideration these Persons that
 were industrious endeavouring to preserve the publick Records
 from the Fire of the Stadt House. Do order That M^r Edward
 Hancox, M^r Richard Dallam, George Hix & three Sailors be
 each of them allowed twenty Shillings Sterling as a Present to
 buy them Rings. And that the Sailors Money be lodged for
 them in the Hands of M^r Elias King. Allowed to John Beale,
 Clerk the sum of five Pounds Sterling for his Service and in
 Recompence of his Loss in using his Endeavours to preserve
 the publick Records &^{ta}

Thomas Tench Esq^r enters the House and delivers the Bill
 for the Duty of 6^d p Hhd. on Tob^o &^{ta} wth Indors^t W^{ch} being
 read the Bill is rejected. And also the following ingrossed
 Bills brought in Viz.