

*votes and
Proceedings
of the Lower
House,
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Mr. *J. Hall* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker an Address to his Excellency, which was read, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Mr. *White* and Mr. *Griffith* be added to the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to prevent the Evil arising from the Variation of the Compass.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Mr. *Johnson* and Mr. *Chase* be added to the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the Relief of insolvent Debtors.

William Hayward, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of sundry subscribing Inhabitants of *Prince-George's* County, praying that the Free-School of that County may be continued in the Place where it now is, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *December 7, 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 ordered to lie on the Table.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for imposing a further additional Duty of Five Pounds Current Money per Poll on all Negroes imported into this Province*; and the Bill, entitled, *An Act to revive and aid the Proceedings of Cæcil County Court*, were severally read the Second Time by an especial Order, passed and sent to the Upper House by Mr. *Chamberlaine* and Mr. *Ward*.

Philip Thomas Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of Officers Fees*, thus indorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, *December 2, 1773*: Read the First Time and ordered to lie on the Table.

Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

By the Upper House of Assembly, *December 7, 1773*: Read the Second Time and will not pass

Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho."

And the following Message,

By the UPPER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY,
December 7, 1773.

GENTLEMEN,

WE should be willing to agree to a proper Bill, allowing a competent Support to Officers, but as the Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Regulation of Officers Fees*, appears to us in a different Light, we have therefore returned it with our Negative.

Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.