

*Notes and
Proceedings
of the Lower
House,
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Was sent to the Upper House by Mr. *Beall* and Mr. *T. Wright*. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker they delivered their Message.

ORDERED, That the Governor's Speech be read a Second Time; and it was read accordingly.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *J. Hall*, Mr. *Lloyd*, and Mr. *Chamberlaine*, do prepare and bring in an Address to his Excellency in answer to his Speech.

Mr. Speaker lays before the House a Letter from the Honourable *Thomas Cushing*, Esq; Speaker of the House of Representatives of *Massachusetts Bay*, inclosing sundry Resolves entered into by that House. Also a Letter from the Honourable *Ebenezer Silliman*, Esq; Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Colony of *Connecticut*, inclosing several Resolves entered into by that House.

ORDERED, That the said Letters and Resolves be read; and they were read accordingly.

RESOLVED, That this House will take the same, together with the Letters from the Colony of *Virginia* and *Rhode Island*, laid before this House, last Session, into Consideration To-morrow Afternoon. The House appoint Mr. *Benjamin Ford*, and Mr. *John Courts Jones* Committee Clerks. ORDERED, That they be qualified.

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

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THURSDAY, October 14, 1773.

THE House met. All Members present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday read.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of the Staple of Tobacco, and for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and that Mr. *Turbutt Wright*, Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Thomas*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *Lloyd*, Mr. *Chamberlaine*, and Mr. *J. Hall*, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of Officers Fees; and that Mr. *Paca*, Mr. *T. Wright*, Mr. *Johnson*, Mr. *J. Hall*, Mr. *Beall*, Mr. *Tyler*, Mr. *Barnes*, Mr. *White*, Mr. *Sim*, Mr. *Chamberlaine*, and Mr. *Chase*, do prepare and bring in the same.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent the buying and selling of Offices, and that Mr. *Chase*, Mr. *Chamberlaine*, and Mr. *Johnson*, do prepare and bring in the same.

The following Certificates, *viz.*

ANNE-ARUNDEL I HEREBY certify, that on the 13th Day of *October*, 1773, came *John Courts Jones* before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace of the said County, and took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, sub-