

On Motion, the Question was put, Whether the Justices of the respective Counties, shall be impowered to levy Tobacco for the Support of such French Neutrals in this Province as now are, or may be, real Objects of Charity or Not Resolved in the Affirmative.

L. H. J.
Liber No. 48
May 18

For the Affirmative,

Hynson,	M. Tilghman,	Casson,	
Williamson,	Earle,	J. Henry,	
Jordan,	Baker,	B. Handy,	
Jenifer,	Dulany,	Crabb,	
J. Handy,	Lloyd,	Chapline.	
J. Goldsborough,	E. Tilghman,		17

For the Negative,

J. Reeder,	Smallwood,	Fraser,	
Hammond,	Stoddert,	Hawkins,	
Gassaway,	Gray,	Bracco,	
Reynolds,	Govane,	Beall.	
Carroll,	Addison,		14

The Bill entituled, An Act to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province, was indorsed, "Read the second Time, and, with the Amendments herewith sent, will pass."

Signed per Order, M. Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

And was sent to the Upper House with the Amendment proposed, viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly, May 18, 1756.

Amendments proposed to the Bill entituled, An Act to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province.

The whole Preamble to be struck out, and the following inserted, viz.

[Whereas, at this Time of uncommon and imminent Danger, from our powerful persidious Enemies, and the cruel Blood-thirsty barbarous Savages, their Allies, it is highly expedient to guard against every intestine Foe: And whereas divers Jesuits, Priests, and Popish Missionaries, have for some Time had their Residence in this Province, and have acquired, and do now possess therein, large Tracts of Land and much Property; and there is too much Reason to fear, especially at this Juncture, that they will seduce and withdraw from their Allegiance many of his Majesty's faithful Protestant Subjects, and by their wicked and subtile Insinuations, excite and stir up disaffected Persons to Sedition and open Rebellion, against his Majesty's Government: And whereas it is thought necessary, not only for the Peace and Security of this Province in particular, but the Safety of