

For the AFFIRMATIVE,

Messieurs	{	Williamson,	Dent,	Owings,	Murdock,	Bracco,
		Hynson,	Govane,	Earle,	Frazer,	Sudler,
		Gaffaway,	J. H. Dorsey,	Baker,	Lloyd,	Harris,
		Hanson,	Cockey Deye,	Ward,	E. Tilghman,	M. Tilgkman.
		Lee,				

For the NEGATIVE,

Messieurs	{	Plater,	Tilden,	B. Mackall,	Dulany,	Scarborough,
		Sothoron,	Carroll,	Reynolds,	Woodward,	Chapline,
		Key,	Worthington,	E. Gantt,	T. Gantt,	E. Dorsey,
		Rafin,	J. J. Mackall,	Wilson,	King,	Edmondson.

On a second Reading of the Report, from the Committee appointed to Tax the Fees to the Officers of this House, and Others, on the several Petitions for controverted Elections, the same is Referred for Consideration the next Session of Assembly.

On Reading the second Time the Account of *Jacob Giles*, for bringing Soldiers from the Head of the Bay, the said Account is Referred for Consideration of the next Assembly.

*The House adjourns until II of the Clock Afternoon.*

*Post-Meridiem.* The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Mr. *Benjamin Mackall* hath Leave to go home.

*The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.*

W E D N E S D A Y, December 14, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday, except Mr. *Benjamin Mackall*. The Proceedings were Read.

The following Message, viz.

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, December 14, 1757.

*May it please your HONOURS,*

THE Bill herewith sent, appearing on the first Reading to be a Money Bill, and as we apprehend that all such Bills should take their Rise in this House, we have not thought proper to give the same a Second Reading, as is usual with other Bills, and therefore return it.

We are sorry to observe in that Bill, the following Clause: "Be it enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That as often as any of his Majesty's Forces shall come into the City of *Annapolis*, or to any Town or Place within this Province, for Winter Quarters, it shall and may be lawful for the Mayor, Recorder, or any Two of the Aldermen of the said City, and for any Two Justices of the Peace of the County, in which such Town or Place shall lie, to Quarter and Billet the Officers and Soldiers on the Inns, Ordinaries, Victualling Houses, or Ale-Houses, that shall be in the said City, Town or Place; and in Case there shall not be a sufficient Number of such Houses in the said City, or in the Town or Place whereunto such Forces shall come for Winter Quarters, conveniently to accommodate such Officers and Soldiers, then and in that Case, the said Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen or Justices, shall and may Billet them, in equal Proportion, on or at the Charge of such private Houses, as they, in their Discretion, shall see fit, and judge most convenient for that Purpose." Which we apprehend is, so far as it relates to Billetting Officers and Soldiers on or at the Charge of private Houses, contrary to the Petition of Right, and tends to a manifest Infringement of the Liberties and Properties of the Subject.

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

Was sent to the Upper House, with the Bill, entituled, *An Act for Billetting and Quartering His Majesty's Forces within this Province*, by Mr. *Matthew Tilghman* and Mr. *Wilson*.

Mr. *Dulany* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report, viz.