

The Committee appointed to consider of Ways and Means for providing for the Support of Government, and the payment of the Interest on the Province Debt, reported as the opinion of said Committee, that to effect those purposes the several Duties of Impost and Excise be continued for one Year, which it is supposed will raise the Sum of - - - £. 3300.

Report of the Committee of Ways and Means.

And that there be raised by a Tax on real and personal Estates throughout the Province the Sum of - - - 1200.

£. 4500.

And the House having taken the said report into Consideration. considered,

A Motion was made that this House do accept the same, and that Bills be prepared accordingly.

A Debate arising thereon, the Question being put, it was carried in the Negative.

Debates thereon.

A Motion was then made and the Question was put, whether any Impost should be laid on Rum and other Spirits, and it was also carried in the Negative.

The Question was then put, whether an Excise should be laid on Rum and other Spirits and Wine, and it was carried in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the further Consideration of the said matter be deferred till To-morrow.

Then adjourned till To-morrow Morning 10 o'Clock.

Thursday June 18th, 1772.

Upon a Motion leave was given to bring in a Bill to prevent for a limited Time the Exportation of Wheat, Rye, Barley, Flour, Meal and Pease, and the same having been presented accordingly, said Bill was read, a 1st and 2d Time.

Leave given for a Bill to prevent Exportation of Wheat, &c. presented, read.

Ordered, That it be read a 3d Time To-morrow.

The House (according to Order) proceeded to the Consideration of the several Matters which were debated Yesterday, and after some time spent therein, a Motion was made, that the Report of the Committee of Ways and Means be reconsider'd, and a Debate arising thereon, the Question was put, and it was carried in the Affirmative.

Consideration of the matters debated the 17th.

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Ordered,