

We really believe with you, that the Law would not have been made, without the Provision you mention; but then you must also allow, that the same Law would have been very much hazarded to a Dissent, if the Commencement of the Act in that Part had not been protracted to next *December*, before which Time, the Creditors might have taken proper Measures to secure their Debts, as we mentioned in our former Message; and should we now take away any Advantage which that Act designed for the Creditors, by any Composition or Agreement with their Debtors, we are very apprehensive, that not only the whole Bill now designed to be passed into a Law would be dissented to, but the Legislature looked on as not observing a proper Impartiality between Creditor and Debtor: And this Apprehension is the stronger, from the late Application of the *Liverpool* Merchants against the Inspection Law; who in all Probability must have prevailed, were it not for the Time given them to get in or secure their old Debts: And therefore we hope we shall not be thought by you to be unreasonable, in insisting on the 3d Amendment; since, in our Conception, such a Clause would be contrary to Reason, not agreeable to the Laws of *England*, and even inconsistent with the Power of Legislation, under which we act.

We agree, that Part of our 4th Amendment, which you mention, has proceeded from a Mistake; and therefore we recede from it. Signed per Order, *J. Ross*, Cl. Up. Ho.

*The House adjourns until 2 of the Clock.
Post Meridiem.*

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Question was put, Whether the House agrees to the third alteration proposed by the Upper House, to the Bill, entituled, *An Act for altering and establishing certain Warehouses, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*; or not?

Resolved unanimously, not to agree to the Alteration.

The Question was put, Whether a Message shall be prepared and sent to the Upper House to enforce the Message sent from this House to the Upper House this Day, relating to the Alteration proposed by the Upper House to the Bill entituled, *An Act for altering and establishing certain Warehouses, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*; or not?

Resolved in the Affirmative.

Col. *Hammond*, from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Message.

By the Upper House of Assembly, *June 11, 1748.*

Gentlemen,

IN your Journal of last Session, a Report was made by a Committee appointed by your House, to inspect the Deed of Purchase of the Land whereon the House for the Residence of a Governor is built, also the Buildings and other Materials on the said Land now being; whereby it appeared, that not only the said House was exposed in such Manner, as that some Parts thereof were upon the Decay; but also that several of the Materials purchased for the same were in great Danger of being spoiled, by Rain coming through the Roof of the House: Under these Circumstances, we conceive, that whatever Use may be hereafter made of the

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