

A unto. W^{ch} they presume is ledges. Vppon L. H.
w^{ch} account they from the Vpper howse to attend them Journal 1666
Will^m Bretton Clk.

Ordered th^t Will^m Calvert Esqr present the same to the Vpper howse.

M^r Edward Lloyd came from the Vpper howse, & certified the Speaker th^t the Leiu^t Gräll is ready to receave this howse according to the first part of that last paper.

Then M^r Speaker ordered M^r Robert Slye to goe to the Vpper howse, Requesting them to signify to this howse. Whither they will please to receave this howse according to their full proposition. Yea or Noe?

Who returnes & certifies the Speaker, th^t the Vpper howse will send this howse an answe in writing presently.

The howse adiornd by the Speaker 'till to morrow morning 8 a Clock.

Thursday 26th Aprill 1666. 8 a Clock.

The howse called. All present (Except M^r Richard Preston as afore) came from the Vpper howse, & presented to p. 66
the followeth in these words.

howse of Assembly.

receaued a paper from yo^u last night. The come & heare what Wee could say, & Encowragem^t of Trade, but yo^u would not priuiledges. Before Wee Reply to th^t Pa- have forgotten the subiect matter of all eyther howse uppon this busines. Wee Trade & uppon the Grownds in the reasonable & desyre yo^r assent yo^u instead of Reason send us pa- not to debate any more. And now yow (W^{ch} reasons) if yo^w had any respect for the Governo^r to the good of the poeple th^t sent you hither to doe & consent to such things as by Common Councell of this Prouince shall happen to bee ordeyned. W^{ch} Common Councell can neuer bee had wthout debate. Now to speake particularly to the reason of yo^r paper, to witt, But wee humbly Conceive th^t it stands not wth our Liberty & Priuiledges to debate any matter att large there. To this, Wee answe. Conferences are not against yo^r priuiledges, & a Conference is not only to noe purpose; But noe Conference att all unlesse for the discussion of the reasons th^t make for or agst the matter conferred on there be debated att large.

And secondly yo^w mistake us, & yo^r priuiledges to, for wee desyre only a free & full debate wth yo^u all, that wee may throughly understand the case, & according to the weight of the reason to bee alleaged by Euery p^ticular p^{son}, to prepare