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Ourselfes for a reasonable determinaōn & resolution. W<sup>ch</sup> as wee intend to make a part from yo<sup>u</sup> in Our ownc howse. Soe yo<sup>u</sup> may make it by yo<sup>r</sup>selues in yo<sup>r</sup> owne howse. Only take this Rule by the way Obstinate fortitude is as pernicious to the Common Wealth, as fearfull honesty. & therefore Conferences are necessary Neq. timida probitas Reipub. utilis est, says My Lord Cooke Both howses in England once satt together debated together, yea euen Voted together breach of yo<sup>r</sup> priuiledges to debate gether is not out of the memory of to the contrary. And were it not positiue Commands to keepe howses holding Assemblies is by his Pattent perhaps tell yo<sup>u</sup> That wee find Vppon Consideraōn of w<sup>ch</sup> spect, yo<sup>u</sup> should come this day, & for & agst that Act for Encowragem<sup>t</sup> th<sup>t</sup> yo<sup>u</sup> yo<sup>r</sup> owne h it, as the reasons urged shall Wee doe hereby protest Our owne & th<sup>t</sup> whatsoever Calamity shall befall the Prouince, eyther by the decay of or the Inuasion of Our Enimies for want of armes & ammunition, now not to bee purchased by Tobacco, though wee haue uast quantities lying by us, The guilt lyes att yo<sup>r</sup> doers. And lastly tell yo<sup>w</sup>, 'tis yo<sup>r</sup> selues in p<sup>r</sup>son, & not answeres in paper th<sup>t</sup> wee expect from yo<sup>u</sup>.

John Gittings Clr.

Putt againe to the Vote whither or noe that this howse have Conference w<sup>th</sup> the Vpper howse, & there debate Concerning the Act for Encowragem<sup>t</sup> of Trade in th<sup>t</sup> howse. Our whither wee ought to debate th<sup>t</sup> busines in Our owne howse & there only debate, & proceede to Vote, as Wee have bene accustomed, in former assemblies?

And the howse thereuppon Voted th<sup>t</sup> all debates in Relaōn to a Cessaōn, ought to bee discussed in this howse, & not in the Vpper howse by Conference.

Philip Calu<sup>t</sup> Esqr. Chancelo<sup>r</sup> came, & made an Explanaōn of what is contayned in that Last paper sent from the Vpper howse, hither.

Then M<sup>r</sup> Speaker appoynted M<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Coursey to goe to  
p. 68 the them. That this howse haue now Voted, not to haue the Vpper howse touching a Cessaōn. Certi- shall please to remand hither That Encowragem<sup>t</sup> of Trade. They shall againe syred. w<sup>th</sup> him th<sup>t</sup> Bill Entituled an Act for Bill also. Entituled an Act for more staple then Tob. Encowragem<sup>t</sup> of Trade. to passe or not? Vote. Not passe aduance of other Com- modities &c:

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