

of the Message thereupon Sent us, This house doth not Conceive wherein the Danger (Intimated in the said Message) Consists, if the Upper house mean it Dangerous for his Lordship (as the best Construction of the Words Seem to Import) it Seems an Infringement of his Lordships Due Rights and Priviledges Granted him by his Charter, wherein his Lordship hath an Ample and Large Power by Consent of the Freemen of this Province to make Laws that shall be good and Valid under Such particular Limitations and Restrictions therein Expressed—

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If they meane that is Dangerous for their Honours to Ioin with the Lower house in Requesting his Lordships Assent to the said Act, the Sense (without any force or Violence offered to the Word) Seems to infringe the Priviledges of both houses of Assembly; as if they might not (without a great Deal of Danger) present their Equitable and Iust Desires to his Lordship and includes a Tacite Accusation of this house in preparing of a Bill for his Lordship or Upper house of Assembly or both to Consent to, But how Dangerous soever it may Appear to the Upper house to have or Desire his Lordships Consent to the said Bill this house conceive it not Safe nor reasonable for this house to proceed to the Making or Consenting to any other Acts or Bills without it—

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As to the Presidents of Ireland (for we put it before Virginia) or Virginia or Pensilvania this house conceives them not proper Precedents for this Country being by his Lordships said Charter Constituted into a Province were the Information true their Honours alledge—

As to the last part of the Answer, which the Upper house intended for Satisfaction to this house, This house doth Answer that Nothing can or ought to be Satisfactory to us, or the Freemen of this Province (whom we Represent) unless we are Ascertained of the Validity force and Continuance of the Laws of this Province under which we live, and from whence we Expect protection and Safety and to the Enacting of which we have been and Still are Lyable to So much Trouble & Expence

Signed p^r Order of the Lower house

C Boteler Cl Assistant of the Lower house of Assembly

The Debate of all which referred till Another time the Committee being ready to Meet and—

This house Adjourns for two hours—

Mett again and Adjourn till to Morrow Morning 9 a Clock.

September the 10th 1681 Upper house mett

Present

The Honble	{	The Chancellor	}	Coll Coursey
		The Secretary		Col Tailler
		The Sur Gen ^l		Col Stevens