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Journal. there be any thing your Honours think unreasonable Please to remark it that it may be Considered we do not pretend to meddle with allowances for Country Arms cleaning as you are pleased to suppose therefore it shall be Expunged

We Expected kinder usage but shall content ourselves at present without any other Remarks.

Signed p order W Taylard Cl Ho Del.

To the foregoing answer was sent by Esq. Tench and four other members of the House as follows.

By the Council in Assembly

October the 3^d 1704.

Upon reading your last Message we find we are mistaken by the House as to the Sealing the Laws and Duplicates a Dispute we never Expected to have been revived this Sessions as it seems to be by your Message with your Journal of the Committee of Accounts therefore must observe to you that either your Allowance on the said Journal are Just and fitting to be made by this Assembly or otherwise we believe neither your House or this Board would agree thereto and if it be but in order to the payment of what is due from the publick Wherefore was your Message requiring his Excellency's Confession to future Retrenchments Contrary to his Majest^{ies} Instructions for sending Sealed Duplicates of the Copy of the Laws tacked like a Petitionary Bill nay a doubted Right you have to the free use of her Majest^{ies} Great Seale to these Duplicates or at least to be dispensed with in not complying with that Injunction to Confirm which you have only your own opinions we never designed or have Endeavoured but to have cultivated a good understanding with your House and promote the Interest of our Country by readily agreeing to what was fitting for us and therefore have avoided taking Notice of several Messages from you Especially that of the 30th of September M^r Coursey and six other members wherein you seem either to question our understanding or Integrity

The Allowances to this Board is but one Quarter in respect to those to the Members of your House the mony raised by Impost was always Intended by this Board to be disposed of for defraying the publick Charge of the Country and we know not how it could be better Employed and when we have assured you we do not regard our own Advantage in what is allowed to us we may be allowed to tell you without any ill usage that we wonder when you are sensible of the publick