

U. H. J.

Wednesday November the 2^d 1709

The Council Sate Present as yesterday

Resolved the following Message be sent to the House of Delegates Viz.

By the Council in Assembly Nov^r 2^d 1709

The Right honble the Lords of Trade and plantations having received the Lord Baltimores objections to the Act Requiring
p. 624 his Agent to certify to the Secretarys Office the Instructions and Conditions of Plantations with the Fees by them demanded and obliging his Lordships Deputy Surveyours to qualify themselves according to Law have desired to be informed of the reasons for the passing the said Act and what other observations may be necessary thereupon.

We therefore desire you will take the same into Considerations and make such observations thereon for their Lordships better Satisfaction as you shall think fitt

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Coun.

Came Col Walter Smith and three other Members who brought up from the House the following Message

By the House of Delegates Nov^r 2^d 1709.

May it please your Honours

This House have Considered that for the sooner Dispatch of the Business before them have resolved that your Honours be desired to join some of the members of your Board with some members of this House to regulate the Officers fees the Act expiring this Session

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Coun.

The said Message being well Considered, Ordered the following Answer be sent to the House by Col Greenberry & M^r Hall

By the Council in Assembly Nov^r 2^d 1709

Gentlem. We having already communicated to you her Majesty's royal Instructions restricting us to pass Laws upon the Death or Absence of her Governour are not willing to alter any Officers fees. Yet to shew our ready Inclination to
p. 625 do what in us lyes for the good & Benefit of the Country We are willing to join with you in any proper measures to redress any Abuses committed by any of the officers within this Gov-