

themselves very ready & willing to join with the Delegates in U. H. J.
 any thing that may be reasonably Proposed for the Advantage
 of the Country but taking notice that notwithstanding the
 most urgent recommendations both from the honourable
 President and themselves pressing the Delegates to give
 ready Obedience & Compliance to her Majesty's Commands
 relating to the Ordinary Licences the House have not yet
 acquainted us with any Steps they have made thereto
 Resolved the following message be sent them Viz.

By the Council in Assembly
 November the 3^d 1713

In answer to your Request by Col Mackall and others we
 are willing to join with you not only in the Address and
 remonstrance proposed but any thing else in our power which
 may be for the Service of the Province; But this Board
 observing that notwithstanding the most urgent recommenda-
 tion to you made by the honble President at the opening of
 the Session of her Majesty's positive Commands in Behalf of
 S^r Thomas Lawrence her Secretary of this Province you have
 not yet acquainted this Board with any Steps you have taken
 in compliance thereto we know not what assurance we can p. 824
 have to meet her Majestys Gracious Favours in any thing thô
 never so reasonable which we may request in Concert with
 you therefore we once more wish you prudently & cautiously
 to consider her Majesty's Commands laid before you and
 endeavour by your ready compliance therewith to Entitle
 your selves & Country to her Majesty's Grace & favour. For
 notwithstanding that we have as deep a sense of the misfor-
 tunes of the Country and the insupportable difficultys the
 Tobacco Trade labours under and are heartily willing to join
 with you in any reasonable Methods to relieve the Province in
 its present Exigencys Yet we must needs tell you should you
 not pay a just & awful Deference to the royal Commands of
 our Sovereign we can have but little Confidence she should
 Extend her Bounty & Favours to us

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Coun.

The Board adjourned till eight of the Clock to morrow
 morning

Wednesday November the 4. 1713

The Council Sate Present as yesterday with the addition of
 M^r Philemon Lloyd

The Bill to restrain the ill practice of Sherriffs on fieri facias
 read & Endorsed—