

Col Hoskins & three more brought up the following Mes- U. H. J. sage from the House Viz.

By the House of Delegates  
July the 2<sup>d</sup> 1714

We agree that our answer to your Message of the 28th June by Col Holland and Col Young was not Categorical, but the matter therein being of great Concern to the Country, p. 926 And that mature Consideration is requisite for instancing the particular Statutes we have thought fit to refer it to the Consideration of the next Session of Assembly to which we pray your Excellency's & Honours' Concurrence

We return your Excell<sup>cy</sup> and Honours our hearty thanks for expressing your Willingness to bring this Session to a Speedy Conclusion

Signed p order Tho<sup>s</sup> Macnemara Cl Ho Del.

The said Gentlemen also brought up a Bill for laying an Imposition of three pence p Hh<sup>d</sup> on Tob<sup>o</sup> for defraying the publick Charge of this Province

Read in their House the first & Second times & will pass

Which being by especial Order read the first & second times at this Board It was considered that by the Act for Advancement of Coyns all Dutys & Impositions for defraying the Country's Charge are to be collected and paid in Currency. So that It may be fitt to add to the first Clause of the Bill the Words Any Law Usage or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding

And further It is recommended that the Bill be only temporary as for the three years or till the End of the next Session of Assembly after the three years with which Amendments the Bill will pass

And being so Endorsed was sent to the House by Col Addison and M<sup>r</sup> Philemon Lloyd.

M<sup>r</sup> James Lloyd and three more brought up two Engrossed p. 927 Bills Viz.

A Bill reviving the Act of Assembly for the better ordering & regulating the Militia of this province. Read & assented to by the House of Delegates which was read & assented to by this Honble Board and sent to the Delegates by Col Holland & M<sup>r</sup> Philemon Lloyd.

The said Gentlemen also brought up the Bill for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in the prosecution of Suits at Law