

Excellency that the People of this Province have been very U. H. J.
much Oppressed by means of the matters contained in the
Reports from the Committee of Aggrievances hereto annexed
Which we pray your Excellency to consider We have such
proofs of your Excell^{cy}'s Justice that we doubt not but those
Aggrievances will meet with a Speedy Redress

Signed p order Tho^s Macnemara Cl Ho Del.

By the Committee of Aggrievances
July the 2^d 1714

We find in the Journal of the House of October Assembly
1709 that the following Aggrievances Amongst sundry Others
were Offered

It was then reported & resolved by the House as an Ag-
grievance that Several places of proffit within this Province
were in the hands of one person which Offices would be better
Officiated & Business better done & sooner dispatched if the
places were in the Hands of Several persons and be sufficient
to maintain them besides It is a great discouragem^t to the
several Inhabitants of this Province who are well qualified
for such places that Persons less deserving & not qualified
according to Law hold places of proffit and many times one p. 937
person Several Offices

Also It was then reported to and resolved by the same
House as an Aggrievance that places of Trust & Proffit,
especially the Sherriffs Office had then been Sold to such
persons as would give most mony or Tob^o for them, Whereby
Several Persons have been commissionated that are very un-
capable and not qualified and of too mean Capacitys and
Estates to Execute & perform their Dutys and Offices, And
the Inhabitants much thereby aggrieved and Oppressed and
very Slender Securitys given for performing their Offices
whereby great Losses have and were then likely to happen to
her Majesty's Subjects within this Province

Which were then unanimously resolved by the House to be
Aggrievances and thereupon a Conference was prayed by the
House that some Members of her Majesty's honble Committee
might join with some members of that House to consider of
a proper Method to redress them. And thereupon a Confe-
rence was accordingly appointed who as to the two Ag-
grievances above mentioned reported as follows Viz.

As to what relates to one person holding several Offices It
was the opinion of the Conferees that if any person hold the
Chancellours Office the Commissary Generals Office the Secre-
tary's Office the Sherriffs Office or Clerk of the County Courts