

L. H. J. Excy has been pleased to Recommend to us in your Speech to both houses at the opening of this Session of Assembly, which So much respects the good Government and Welfare of his Majestys good Subjects here which we have very much at Heart and shall apply our Selves with our utmost Care and Diligence to the Consideration of,

And particularly The Act Entituled An Act ascertaining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco Hogsheads &c<sup>a</sup> which Contains so many things Essential to the Honour and Interest of his Lordship and the Ease and Prosperity of this Province shall be duly Considered by us in all its branches, and we shall Readily Joyn in Concurrence with your Excellency and the  
 p. 19 Upper house in such Measures as Shall be thought most proper and Essential for the Secureing and Continuing so great a good (as this by Experience is found to have been) from the time of the Expiration thereof as it now Stands till the end of the first Sessions of Assembly that Shall happen after the Twenty ninth day of September next.

And here we Cannot pass this head without again returning our hearty Thanks to your Excellency for your care and Diligence in Inquireing into and makeing your Just Observations from the wrongs done the late Lord Proprietor in the Collecting and from the Manifold Inconveniencies and Deficulties the Tenants then Laboured under in paying the Quitt Rents and for the redress of both, the Expedient you proposed of adding Six pence to the eighteen Pence p<sup>r</sup> hh<sup>d</sup> formerly given in full Sattisfaction for the whole quit rents and allienation fines, which has proved equally so advantageous to his Lordshipp and Easie to the Inhabitants, and thô it seems to be attended with Some Difficulty for us to make a just Comparison between the value of the Rents that have been Collected before and The Sums that have been paid his Lordships agent on that Account, Since the Comencement of the above Mentioned Act yet we doubt not but that his Lordship whose Interest herein is so much Concerned and who has a better Oppertunity for so doing than we have, will soon discover the Difference and the Great advantage accruing to him from the Latter.

When we Consider and reflect upon the many attacks and unnaturall Rebellions made and raised in great Britain by papists and their Adherents as Dangerous to the full if not a more dangerous Enemy than themselves against the person and Government of his most Sacred Majesty George (whom God Long preserve) wee the less wonder at the unwearied and Restless Attempts of the papists and their adherents to disquiet and render your Excellency uneasie in your Adminis-