

bers take upon them in the report from the Conferrees to make L. H. J.  
so certain a judgment of the Duration of this Session, that  
they make it a foundation to Argue from Desires the Sense  
of your house thereon the Explanation thereof given by the  
Members of the Conference from our house, not being In-  
tirely Satisfactory to him.

Signed p order John Beale Cl: Up: Ho:

The house adjourns till one a Clock in the afternoon.

Post Meridiem

The House meet according to adjournment.

The following message being prepared by the Committee  
of Law was ordered to be Entred as follows

By the Lower House of Assembly April the 15<sup>th</sup> 1720.

May it please your Honours.

Having Considered your Message of the 9<sup>th</sup> Instant wee  
have Inspected our late address, to their Lordships setting  
forth Sundry Vexatious Prosecutions against the Debtors of  
his Majesty in this Province and do conceive the same to be  
justly set forth, and are Surprized to find by the Commission-  
ers of the Customs Letters to his Lordship the Severall hard-  
ships therein laid down should in stead of meeting with re-  
dress be rather Countenanced by the said Commissioners, and  
it is indeed more amazeing to us that his Excellency, our Gov-  
ernour's Conduct should be arraigned on account of Delaying  
the proceedings (in behalf of the Crown) by Maurice Birch-  
field Esq<sup>r</sup>, when to the certain knowledge of a member of this p. 43  
house who hath had the Honour to be employed by the Com-  
missioners of his Majestyes Customs in some affairs here as  
well as is the Opinion of this House that his Excellency hath  
been very Assiduous and Zealous in promoting and Expedit-  
ing the Affairs of the Crown

Signed p Order M Jenifer Cl. Lo. Ho.

And Sent to the Upper House by Coll. Mackall M<sup>r</sup> Lee Cap<sup>t</sup>  
Jones Cap. Rider.

They return and Say they Delivered it.

Engrost Bill for relief of Benjamin Howard Read and or-  
dered to be thus Endorst Viz.

April the 15<sup>th</sup> 1720.

Read and assented to by the Lower House of Assembly and

Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup> M. Jenifer Cl. Lo: Ho.