

L. H. J. Issued Accordingly. The house Adjourns till One of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Post Merediem

The House meets According to Adjournment.

The Petition of Charles Rivers praying to be Relieved from Prison at the Suit of Charles Carroll's Ex^{rs} was Read and Leave Given to bring in a Bill as prayed.

Resolved that no Petitions be received after Thursday next and Ordered that Notice be Given by Setting up Notes thereof.

James Bowles Esq^r from the Upper House delivered M^r Speaker the following Message and Papers Viz.

To his Excellency William Burnet Esq^r Governour of the Province of New York.

Instruction 91.

Whereas it has been thought Requisite that the Gen^l Security of our Plantations upon the Continent of America be provided for by a Contribution in proportion to the Respective [abilities] of Each Plantation, And whereas the Northern Fronteers of the said Province of New York being the most Exposed to an Enemy do require an Extraordinary Charge for the Erecting & Maintaining of Forts Necessary for the Defence thereof, And Whereas [orders] were Given by King William the third for the Advancing of fifty pounds Sterling towards a Fort in the [Onondage] Country and of two thousand Pounds Sterling towards the Rebuilding of the Fort at Albany and Schenectady and likewise by Letters under his Royal Sign Manuel directed to the Govern^{rs} of divers of the Plantations to Recommend to the Councils and General Assemblys of said Plantations that they Respectively furnish a Proportionable Sum towards the Fortifications on the Northern fronteers of our said Province of New York Viz.

Rhode Island and Providence Plantation	£150.—
Conecticut	450.—
Pensylvania	350.—
Maryland	650.—
Virginia	900.—

And Whereas We thought fit to direct that you alsoe Signifie to our Province of Nova Cæsarea or New Jersey that the Sums which we have at present thought fit to be Contributed by Them (if not already done) in Proportion to what has been directed to be Supplied by our Other Planta-