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L. H. J. Ordered the following Message be prepared Viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly

August the 4th 1721

May it Please Your Honrs

This House having taken into their Consideration the p. 64 Continual Charge they have been at in Employing an Agent; and further weighing the small Comodity and Advantage (if any) we ever Reaped thereby; and altho during the Govermts being under the Crown the Difficulty of Access to the King's Majesty might give just Occasion to Imploy some person to negotiate for us in our affairs: yet now being well Assured how easie Access Every person may have to his Lordship, and Consequently without any Difficulty this Legislature may Convey their Thoughts from Time to Time to his Lordship as the Emergency of Affairs may require, Which Method hath induced this Branch of the Legislature to incline to be no longer at the Expence of An Agent; which We thought fit to Signifie to your Hon^{rs}, and pray Your Concurrance with these our Sentiments

Signed p Order. M Jenifer Clk Lº Ho

And Sent to the Upper House by M^r Walter Smith and M^r Dashiel. They Return and say they Delivered it.

Coll: Addison from the Upper House delivers M^r Speaker the Bill for laying the Publick Levy thus Endorst Viz:

By the Upper House of Assembly

August the 4th 1721

This Bill being Read will pass.

Signed p Order Ino Beale Clk Up House.

Which Read again Past for Engrossing & was Sent to the Committee of Laws to be Engrost.

On Reading the Rough Draught of the Address to his Lordship, the Question was put whether the Address shall be Signed by every particular Member, or by the Speaker on behalf of the whole House.

Carried by the Majority of Votes that it be Signed by the Speaker on behalf of the whole House.

p. 65 James Bowles Esq^r from the Upper House Delivers M^r Speaker the following Message Viz:

By the Upper House of Assembly

August the 4th 1721

Gentlemen.

Forasmuch as his Lordship in his Speech to Both Houses