

Which Draught being Read and Approved of by the House U. H. J. the following Message was prepared thereon viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 24th 1723
Gentlemen.

We have Considered your Draught of a Congratulatory Address to his Majesty, sent us by M^r Beale and three others, and we Approve of and are Ready to Joyn with you in the Same, and his Hon^r the Governour being present was pleased to declare his willingness to Joyn in the same Address which he ordered us to Signify to your House, as likewise that he would take the first Opportunity of transmitting it to his Lordship, in Order to its being presented to his Majesty.

Signed ʔ Order, Sam^l Skippon Cl Up Ho.

Sent to the Lower House by Col^o Holland.

Then the House took into Consideration the Message of the Lower House of the 22^d Instant by M^r Crabb and five others and after some time spent therein the following Answer was prepared thereto viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly 8^{br} the 24th 1723
Gentlemen.

It seems to have been the Wisdom of [the] Legislature when Assembled for the making of such Wholsome Laws and Ordinances as may Conduce to the publick Good of the Country, to Cultivate with the Greatest Care imaginable, a good Understanding between the two Houses; by Carrying on all their Debates, and Generally all matters in Dispute, Calmly and with Good manners; least some unseasonable Resentments at the mode of Proceedings, might Interrupt the more weighty Busieness of the Governm^t and whether this House hath pursued those Steps or no, your own Journals, wherein our sundry messages are Recorded, will Answer for us. But Gent. give us Leave to tell you with a Plainness that becomes the Superiority of Our House, that we have a great Deal to Complain of upon that Head. The Thing now in dispute between the two Houses is concerning Civil Right; and altho' that Right, w^{ch} the Journals of your own House Evidently makes appear to be Justly Ours, hath been denied us by sundry Messages from you yet have we proceeded in all things According to the Rule already laid down; and have Endeavoured by the proper ways of conferring with yo^r House, to bring you to Reason; But notwithstanding that your Sentiments are so much different from ours; yet have we not by any illegal use of our Power, nor by any false insinu-