

tion without hazarding the dissolution of the whole nor Could **L. H. J.** wee have Imagined that your House would have fallen on any such measures as should give the Least Umbrage of Discouraging our faithfull Services to his Lordshipp for the evil or good of the Inhabitants of this Province either by denyeing us such reasonable and Customary Allowances as barely defray the Charge of Leaveing our ffamilys for the Service of the Publick or by any Other means whatsoever.

But supposing that you had some Reasons for this Innovation and that your House should be of Oppinion that the Lord Proprietary ought to Defray the Charge and Attendance of his Councill of State out of his Publick revenue yet you will give us Leave to put you in mind that the whole of the Revenue arising by Act of Assembly is Intirely Applied to the uses therein mentioned and to no other Uses whatsoever and Leaves no Room as wee Conceive for your House to Expect that our Allowances should be paid out of that Revenue, unless some further provision had been made for the better Enabling his Lordship, in the Support of such Charges as necessarily Attends the Dispatch of the publick Business, wherein wee, who are of his Lordships Councill conceive that wee have the Common Weal of this province as much at heart and as much under our Care, as when we are Called to Act in Conjunction with your House, in the Makeing of such wholesome and beneficiall Laws as seem most necessary for the Good Government thereof.

But notwithstanding that this unexpected Stop might Justly Alarm the Members of his Lordships Councill and give Umbrage of Suspicion that the Representatives of this province have so mean an oppinion of the persons whom his Lordship has made Choice of to Advise his Lieu^t Governour in all Emergencies of State, as to believe that they do not Deserve the same publick Acknowledgements as formerly, yet we are willing to Search out Other Reasons for this Alteration and have a Dependance that the Justice of your House which Shines upon other Occasions, will Convince us that the Directions given to the Committee of Accounts, proceeded rather from some hasty Resolve (which when reassumed and Scrutinized, will have no place with you) than from any p. 43 fixt Resolution of your House to deny upon any Terms the Customary Allowances made to the Members of this House when they Act as a Councill of State for [the] publick good.

Signd p Order Sam^l Skippon Cl. Up. ho.

A Bill to punish Blasphemers Swearers Drunkards and Sabath breakers was read the first and second times by Es-