

L. H. J. must be born with for Supporting the Rights & priviledges of the people yet there is not the same Necessity for that Charge and trouble to Elect Sheriffs in the prejudice of the Prerogative

Besides if the Laws in force to prevent the oppression of Sheriffs will be a Restraint upon them in so doing which in your Message you assert your Chief Reason for a popular Election fails and we are of opinion that the Laws heretofore and at this Sessions provided will very well Secure the people from oppression by the Sheriffs, but if notwithstanding the Sheriffs should make use of any illegall means so to do, We doubt not but his Honour the Governour upon Complaint to him made will take Care to Restrain or displace them, of whom we believe they will be as much afraid as of the people. To Conclude, If what we have before offerred nor our observation that the appointing of Sheriffs is a branch of the prerogative

p. 190 has not any weight with you, be pleas'd to take your own measures to perswade his Honour the Governour or the Chief Magistrate for the time being that the people's Electing of Sheriffs will be an Ease to the prerogative, and we shall rest Satisfied with having done our Duty in this affair

Signd p order Samⁿ Skippon Cl Up Ho.

The Consideration whereof is referr'd till next Sessions and Resolved that an Address be then prepar'd to his Hon^r the Governour according to the Referrence of the said message.

An Engrost Supplementary Bill to the Act for Encouraging the making Hemp & flax within this province was read and assented to and was so Endorst and sent to the Upper House by M^r Dashiell & Cap^t Hooper.

They return and say they delivered it.

Coll^o Ward from the Upper House delivers M^r Speaker the Bill for the Assessm^t of the publick Levy this present year thus Endorst viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly. November the 4th 1724
Read and will pass.

Sign'd p order Samⁿ Skippon, Cl. Up. Ho.

Thereupon the Same past for Engrosing.

The Bill af^d Engrost was read and assented to and was so Endorst and Sent to the Upper House by M^r Crabb & M^r Oldham

They return and say they delivered it.