

U. H. J. Engróst bills, which seems to us to be entirely new. The method we proposed to yo<sup>r</sup> Hon<sup>rs</sup> was according to the practice constantly Used till April 1715 at which time we find the practice was first altered but for what Causes does not Appear. We Conceive it [to] have been a thing past by as of little Consequence But for that we cannot be sure of Avoiding Inconveniences by such an Innovation in our Parliamentary practice used both in the time of his Lordships Ancestors and all the time of the Crowns Government we Entreat yo<sup>r</sup> Hon<sup>rs</sup> not to Enter into debates with us concerning it. As to his Hon<sup>r</sup> the Govern<sup>rs</sup> perusal of Such Bills we can not but presume him sufficiently apprized of them by their being Debated in your House where he presides We therefore pray your Hon<sup>rs</sup> not to oppose the Renovation of so long Establish A Parliamentary Practice Amongst us

Signed p order M. Jenifer Cl Lo Ho.

Which was read and ordered to lye on the Table

A bill from the Lower House Entitled An Act declaring female Mulattoes born of white women to be Taxables thus Endorsed viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly Octo<sup>r</sup> the 23<sup>d</sup> 1725  
Read the first and Second time by Especial Order and will pass

Signed p Order M. Jenifer Cl Lo Ho.

p. 46 Which Bill was read and further thus Endorsed viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly Oct<sup>r</sup> the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1725  
Read and will pass.

Signed p order Geo: Plater Cl Up Ho.

Sent down by John Hall Esq<sup>r</sup>, who returns and says he delivered it

A message from the Lower House by Cap<sup>t</sup> Hooper and M<sup>r</sup> Waughop viz

By the Lower House of Assembly Octo 23<sup>d</sup> 1725  
May it please Your Honours

On Reading the Report of the Comissioners appointed to View the Work Already done to the Stadt House by M<sup>r</sup> Henry Hooper this House is willing that the said Hooper be now paid 140<sup>t</sup> part of the 200<sup>t</sup> Currency Agreed for and that on his the said Hooper's compleating the work according