are made and human Government Establisht Your Honours U. H. J. seem to be assistants to Prerogative and dependant on it rather than a State in which the people place a Confidence Dependant on it we may be allowed to say since your Honrs p. 63 at the time when you were pleased to think it your Glory and Priviledge to Assimilate your Constitution to that of Great Brittain in its three Estates of Legislature were pleased to declare it his Lordships undoubted Right to Discharge at pleasure any member of his Councill and Consequently of your House as you there agree, which things when your Honrs fully Consider, we hope you will not so much Insist on Your having the sole keeping of the Bills prepared for the Assent But that you will agree to trust our Speaker with the presenting them to his Honour the Governour for his Assent as hath been Usual who for Dispatch may appoint two or more of our Members to see the Seal affixed and fiat wrote to them according to former practice in readiness for his Honrs Sanction who by the perusal of them at the opportunitys Mentioned in our late Message, may be well Apprised whether they be proper for his Assent or not Yor Honrs Conclusion in this matter will Demonstrate how far you are pleased to Decline Unnecessary Debates with us

Signed p Order M. Jenifer Cl. Lo. Ho.

To which Message the following answer was prepared viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly Octor the 28th 1725 Gentlemen

You were not mistaken when you understood that we were far from desireing to Enter into Unnecessary Debates with your House, for so we really were and are. But we are not (to avoid Debates) Obliged to Submit our Judgment to your demands as often as you are pleased to require things of us, which we do not think reasonable to Comply with, and your persisting in those debates rather lays the Imputation of pro- p. 64 moting that at your Doors, than ours. We once more Observe to you that we do not find any certain rule has been ever made in the Case now debated but that the practice has been various and since the latest tho' of no longer a Continuance than Ten or Eleven years for the reasons given in our former Messages is in Our Opinion the best, we cannot consent to depart from it. If you please to Consult the former Journals of both Houses of Assembly you will find many Alterations in the Practice of both Houses in things of much greater Consequence than this at present in Debate and that without any Express Resolutions Concerning them and if we