any Reason why the bare mention of Your Obstinate Ad- L. H. J. herence to your former Opinions should Superinduce such a heavy Charge as you are pleased to Lay at our Doors of an p. 95 unhandsome and Insulting Usage. We are at a loss to find any thing of that Nature among the publick proceedings, unless it be in Your own Messages where upon many Occasions you are very Liberall of such Usage and particularly in that of the 28th of Oct Last wherein you are pleased to give us the Characteristick of Assistants only to the Prerogative in whom the people place no Confidence, But we Can very truly say whatever Opinion Your House or the People may have of us that we are by Office and Inclination as hearty well wishers to the Common Weal of this Province as any of Your House and for that Reason do not think we deserved so gross a Reflection upon the Integrity of this House as the bare Questioning the Security of the Bills with us when prepared for the Assent, which Yet we are assured you will find very Safely preserved in our Hands; nor could we Imagine that our declining any further Debates upon the Subject of the Councell allowances Rather than to prolong the Sessions Could have Inflamed your House to such a Degree of Unhandsomness as to fill a long Message with Reflections, upon the Subject of using the Word Obstinate which we think however to have been very properly Apply'd to the Substance of your Message, wherein you tell us that a Support was evidently Raised for us, yet Confess in the same Message (as also in the Message of Octor the 25th 1723) that we Cannot possibly come at it.

Sign'd p Order Geo: Plater Cl. Up: Ho:

The following Message prepared Viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly

Novem^r the 3^d 1725

May it please Your Honours.

It is thought proper by this House in order to the Dispatch of Business to Inform your Honours, that the Bill for Limitation of Officers fees for the Reasons already given will not pass any otherways than as it now Stands.

Sign'd p Order Mich: Jenifer Cl: Lo: Ho:

Which was sent to the Upper House by Coll^o Greenfield and M^r Crabb.