

Suspected of some Misdemeanours are not in prudence and Discretion to be lookt upon as persons of Ill fame, within the Meaning of the Statutes is Contrary to the Judgments and Resolutions in all those Books from whence alone Your Honours Can be Informed of what the Law is Concerning the Peace and good behaviour. L. H. J.

Your Definition of Persons of Ill fame, in what you are pleased to Assign as your first Reason is too narrow to be a Generall Definition and as to what you are pleased to Offer as Instances to Support it, they Require only Reading.

Your second Remark Concerning Servants can never make any Alteration in the Law for freemen. If a Housekeeper may be obliged to give Security for his Inmate, why not for his Servant. If a man may not keep a Dogg accustomed to bite Sheep, why Must he be protected in the keeping a Man accustomed to break Houses without giving Security for his Good behaviour. If a Man that keeps Ill Company may be bound by the Discretion of a Magistrate to his good behaviour, why not the very Master himself that keeps such Servants as are a Terror to the Neighbourhood they live in. If a Servant May never be bound over to prevent his breaking the Peace, Why should a Freeman be in a Worse Condition. If a Servant May not be Committed, till he has Committed a Crime, what becomes of Preventative Justice. Realy Gentlemen as You have profess'd your selves at a Loss on Severall Occasions this Sessions, we believe you will find Your selves also at a Loss to find Law to Support the positions of Your aforesaid Message. We humbly pray your Honours to be better advised for the future in such Matters before you Communicate your Thoughts thereon to the Publick. p 104

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Which was sent to the Upper House by M<sup>r</sup> Stoddard and M<sup>r</sup> Tilden

They Return and Say they delivered it.

An Engrost Bill for Laying the Publick Levy was Read and Assented to and was so Endorst.

And the following Message sent to the upper House by M<sup>r</sup> Stoddard and M<sup>r</sup> Courts

By the Lower House of Assembly

Novem<sup>r</sup> the 6<sup>th</sup> 1725

May it please Your Honours.

It appearing by the Journals of this House in 1722 and