

Legislature we thought you not only Advisers but in part U. H. J.
directors too of what was proper for the common Good. For
we esteem it impracticable for his Lordship (a Stranger to the
Place and at so Great a distance from us) to be rightly advised
of these things but by your means and the Representations of
us his faithful Tenants and since by a late Instruction from
his Lordship it was easy to Observe his Lordship had taken
Advice from some that were unacquainted perhaps for want
of yours it seems Strange that Your Honours should propose p. 132
the waiting for his Lordships Advice instead of Giving your
Advice to his Lordship in what is Agreeable to our Constitu-
tion & publick Weal This seems so far to invert the Order
and end of your Office that We hope your Honours will not
further insist on it as a Cause for deferring Your concu-
rence in the Point desired For as we esteem it no ways neces-
sary for faithful Councillors to know what will please their
Prince before they Give him their Advice (unless they seek
his Favour and consult his Pleasure rather than his real
Interest) so we cannot think but it would be much to your
own Satisfaction and for his Lordships Service to give your
Advices the quickest dispatches to him you possibly can to
prevent his Lordships being further beholden to Strangers to
our constitution for want of your good Offices to him

We Use our Endeavours we can sincerely say to Cultivate
& preserve a Good Understanding with you for the Common
Good and we cannot employ our endeavours better than by
using those Freedoms with you that are necessary for the
Common Good and Altho' you should think those Freedoms
Unbecoming us to use with you who wear a Dignity in this
State that Stiles you our Superiors yet as we shall never
prostitute plain dealing to the Servile force of Compliment
when Our Countrys Good Your Honour and Our Duty
requires plainness We shall rather choose to bear your cen-
sure if We Incurr it then be wanting in this part And in pur-
suit of this Resolution We give you our thoughts that if your
Honours had been free in communicating to his Lordship
your Sense of our Resolves in the Year 1722 when they were
communicated to you it might have Given his Lordship reason
to have withstood the Importunities of those that forwarded
the Instruction that caused our late Address & if when your
Honours [were acquainted] with our Address you had then
Apprized his Lordship of your thoughts upon it they might
probably have saved his Lordship the Labour of much enquiry
and have precautioned him against such further Steps as may
be founded on the like Advice of Strangers to our constitu-
tion the consequences of which we cannot Guess at but if they
prove amiss, your Honours must Give your Country leave