U. H. J. due to his Offence by the frequent Allowance of Bills of p. 140 Exception the Use and Benefit of them would make ample amends for such an Inconvenience But as that cannot we conceive be the case but on the Contrary lay the fact with all its circumstances before the Judges which will Give them a much better Opportunity of Giving a Judgment adequate to the Nature of the Offence then they can possibly be able to give on hearing the Facts in a hurry at the Bar and therefore we desire your Honours Concurrence to the General Allowance of Bills of Exception

Tho we cannot concur in opinion with your Honours that it would be any innovation to Allow the Associates Voices in Criminal Cases it being Agreable to the Brittish Constitution as your Honours we believe may Observe by the Presidents we have already referred to and the Proceedings of the Governor and Council formerly when Assizes were set up (without any Law of the Province to Support them) in imitation of the English Practice we shall wave it at present rather than lengthen the time of this present Session or hinder the Passing the rest of the Bill which we conceive to be of such Absolute necessity.

We shall concur with your Honours in restraining the Judges of Oyer and Terminer in the manner you propose and hope that a Bill Agreable to what your Honours and this House have concurred in & with what is herein proposed will pass your House

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

To which Message the following Answer was prepared.

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 29th 1724 Gentlemen.

The Bill herewith sent Entituled a Supplementary Act to the Act for trying matters of fact &c^a will pass with the Amendments proposed in your Message by M^r Gant and M^r Bozman and a limitation of its continuance for two Years.

Signed p Order Samuel Skippon Cl Up Ho.

Sent by Col^o Tilghman

A Message from the Lower House of Assembly by Mr Beale & Mr Gant viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly October the 29th 1724

May it please your Honours

We desire your Honours will please to Appoint some of the members of your House to Join with John Beale Esq^r