

heard of till now in Parliamentary Proceedings which we were U. H. J.
willing for the sake of Cultivating an Amicable understand-
ing between the two Houses and that we might pursue the
Business before us to have lookt Upon as a mistake and not
a design to impose upon Us but you Oblige us to insist that for
either house to Alter A Bill past in both Houses without the
Knowledge & Consent of the other is a Violation of that priv-
iledge which ought to be Sacred to both and that you have p. 153
done so is apparent for instead of Excluding the whole Para-
graph that makes Hemp and Flax current in Payment of
Tobacco debts due to Merchants and others trading or com-
mercing in or to this Province which was the true intent and
meaning of the Alterations proposed by Us In our former
Message You have by the Interlineation formerly mentioned
fully excused such Merchants and Involv'd the Inhabitants
of this province in the same mischief which is an Alteration
so far from our Intentions that it was not so much as once
spoke of to or by our House

Certainly Gentlemen when you consider this Affair [you
will no] Longer endeavour to perswade us to part with our
priviledge by consenting to the Engrossed Bill as it now
stands which we have again sent you not doubting but that
you'll make it Agreeable to the true Intent and meaning of the
Alterations proposed by us when the Original Bill pass'd our
House and to which you have heretofore consented.

Signed p Order. S. Skippon Cl. Up. Ho.

A message from the Lower House by M^r Edward Wright
and M^r Hawkins

By the Lower House of Assembly Nov^r 2^d 1724.

May it please Y^r Honours.

We desire to know your Honours Sentiments of our Re-
solves Communicated to you in the Year 1722 If yet Your
Honours have had time to consider the same

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

Read the message from the Lower House of the 27th of
October last 1724 by Col^o Mackall and five others the follow-
ing Answer prepared thereunto viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly November 2^d 1724.
Gentlemen

The manner of transacting publick Affairs In Parliament
when any matter is in difference between the two Houses
should seem to be an unquestionable President to the proceed-