

At a Conference appointed by the Upper and Lower Houses of U. H. J. Assembly relating to an Officers fee Bill held on Thursday 31st No. 734 May 1739 Viz.

The honourable	{	Edmund Jenings Esq ^r Levin Gale Esq ^r	}	of the Upper House
Doctor Carrol	}	M ^r Stoughton	}	Of the Lower House
M ^r Calder	{	M ^r Denton		
M ^r George	}	M ^r Rob ^t Jenk ^s Henry		

Who make Choice of the honourable Edmund Jenings Esq^r their Chairman and of Thomas Lynn their Clerk

The Conferees appointed by the Upper House informed the Conferees appointed by the Lower House that they were commanded by the Upper House to acquaint the Conferees of the Lower House, that the Upper House could agree to no Law to establish Officers fees but what should be perpetual and were ordered not to proceed to consider of any fees till the sense of the Lower House on that Point should be made known

To which the Conferees appointed by the Lower House say they cannot give any Answer until they advise their House thereof and take their Directions therein.

And thereupon the Conferees adjourn until to Morrow Morning at ten of the Clock

Friday morning the Conferees meet according to Adjournment

The Conferees of the Lower House deliver the Directions of the Lower House to their said Conferees in Answer to the Proposal of the Conferees of the Upper House which Directions are as follow Viz.

This house having taken into Consideration the Report of their Members appointed Conferees concerning the Officers fee Bill and the Proposal made by the Conferees appointed by the Upper House, p. 44 of making that Bill a perpetual Act, do unanimously agree that it would be of the most dangerous and destructive Consequence to the People of this Province to make such an Act perpetual

And that their Conferees af^d have it in Charge to Acquaint the Conferees of the Upper House with this their Resolution and reject the Proposal aforesaid

And that if the said Conferees from the Upper House should refuse to proceed in the Conference without this Houses acquiescing in that Proposal, they be told as from this House that all the Evils that shall arise to the People of this Province for Want of an Act for regulating Officers fees must be laid to the Charge of the Upper House inas-much as this House by the Bill proposed have given Fees & a longer Duration than has been in the like Act in Our Neighbouring Colony of Virginia, which is immediately under his Majestys auspicious