

U. H. J. part of the Legislature and Very proper for the Trust by that Bill
 No. 734 to be reposed in him

As to the Reproach you mention to be not only on your House but on all the Province, We can with the greatest Truth in the most solemn Manner assure you, It was so far from Our Intentions to couch any Reproach either on Your house or this Province under the Words Relative to a Guardian, That One of Our Reasons for rejecting that Bill was, lest the whole legislative Power and the Province should be reproached with that relative Word by the passing that Bill into a Law; And therefore if any Reproach could possibly arise from any Parts of that Bill, It ought not to be imputed to this House, which neither formed or passed that Bill but rejected it

We cannot believe the World will be so easily imposed on as you imagine It is very certain the bare Possibility of betraying a Trust ought to have little weight against committing a Trust; but it is not less certain that it is the Height of Imprudence to intrust any Person with such an Authority and Fund of Money as may tempt and enable them to betray that Trust; And that the World may clearly see what we objected to the Bill on this head, We must take the Liberty of mentioning some Parts of the Bill, which in One Part of it directs; “ that M^r Hyde (in whose Hands the Money is to be lodged) shall pay such Money to such Person or Persons, as the Trustees so to be appointed as aforesaid or the Survivor or Survivors of them shall by Writing under their Hands order and direct the same and not otherwise ” And then the last Clause is in these Words Viz. And Be it further Enacted by the Authority af^d that the money arising by the Duty af^d shall be applyed towards the Payment of an Agent to be employed for this Province to reside at London in Great Britain and to such other Uses & Purposes as shall be from time to time thought necessary by the Trustees af^d or the Survivors of them and Not otherwise

Now let us consider the Duration Power and Temptations which the Trustees must have had under such a Law First as to their Duration; We say they could not have been removed from the Trusteeship during the Continuance of that Law; for after the speaker
 p. 57 had once executed his Authority of signifying under his Hand the Appointment of the Trustees, there could not be another Appointment before all the Trustees should be dead because the other Parts and the Last Clause of the Bill Expressly directs the Trust to be Executed by the Survivors or Survivor, Secondly as to their power it is without Bounds They might have done either as much or as little as they Pleased nor is there One thing taken notice of in the Bill as the Proper Business of the Trustees except Fingering the money and making Some Application of it (but how much is not mentioned) towards Payment of an Agent so that one would be Apt to imagine This Bill had been Calculated principally to Gratify these same Trustees