

Province for a determined Time of Three years, and in every other respect conformable to the present Act; But we offer to your Consideration whether it may not be more for the Ease of the People, to continue the present Act for Six years, rather than lay an Additional Load on Trade for this purpose.

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The Conferees of the Lower House desire to withdraw and Advise their House what was delivered as above

The Conferees Adjourn until the Afternoon

In the Afternoon the Conferees met again

The Conferees of the Lower House deliver themselves in the following manner viz:

The Conferees of the Lower House propose, that the Treasurers shall with the money to be raised, send for the Arms and Ammunition by direction from the Governor and Council, and that the Treasurers shall at every General Assembly lay before both Houses Accounts of the Arms so Purchased and Money received

That the Armourer by the Bill be obliged to lay also an Account upon Oath before every General Assembly of what Arms and Ammunition he shall from time to time receive, and how they are delivered out p. 78

That the Commission of Eight per Cent by the present Act to the Naval Officers be reduced to some less Sum to be agreed on

To which the Conferees of the Upper House desire to withdraw to acquaint their House therewith

Soon after the Conferees of the Upper House return again and deliver themselves in the following manner.

Gentlemen We are directed by Our House to acquaint you that your Proposals seem only to be mentioned in order to destroy a Bill about which both Houses have taken so much Time and Pains, at a very great Expence to the Country, nor can you reasonably expect any further Concessions after those large ones already made by Our House

The Conferees Adjourn until to morrow morning nine of the Clock

Friday morning May 23^d The Conferees met according to Adjournment

The Conferees of the Lower House deliver themselves in the following manner

We are Ordered by the Lower House to acquaint Your Honours that as the Proposals We offered to you Yesterday were only made for your Advice, and, as we told you at the time of delivering them, not such as were by Our House insisted upon (although thought reasonable) if they should be disagreeable to the Upper House, we