And now Gentlemen; before you give us your final Result, We U.H.J. earnestly desire you like the Representatives of a Protstant People Calver who are blest with the Enjoyment of Your Religion and Liberties No. 735 under the best of Princes to consider the State and Circumstances of p. 86 this Province

We have an Actual War with Spain and expect One every day with France if it is not already declared, Our Province lies in a defenceless Condition easily to be invaded by the French and the Indians in Friendship with them, and the Papists among Ourselves and other Jacobites have arrived at a degree of Insolence beyond all Imagination some of them not sparing his most Sacred Majesty himself others threatning the Destruction of Our Religion and Laws and the mildest of them haranguing daily upon the terrible and Irresistible Power of France and Spain

At this time Gentlemen, and in such Circumstances it might have been really hoped and expected that the Government might have prevail'd upon you to have done something extraordinary for the Defence of the Province but to be refused not only the Fund as it is increased by the Conferees of both Houses but even the Continuance of the Fund in being upon the same Foot that they stand on at present, are Facts so Astonishing that it will hardly be believed by his Majesty and the Ministry at home, to whom We must refer Our selves for the Justification of Our Conduct, and flatter Ourselves that We shall have Justice done to the Sincerity of Our Intentions there as well as by every Candid and Impartial Man in this Province Signed p Order John Ross Ct. Up H.

Adjourned till two of the Clock in the Afternoon

## Eodem Die Post Meridiem

This House met again according to Adjournment Present as in the morning

A Bill from the Lower House by Messrs Stoughton and Harris Entituled An Act for the Trial of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties where they have arisen or shall arise thus endorsed.

By the Lower House of Assembly 29 May 1740 p. 87 Read the first time and Ordered to lie on the Table Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct lo. ho.

By the Lower House of Assembly 29 May 1740 Read the second time and will pass Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct lo. Ho.

Read the first Time in this House and Ordered to lie on the Table Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock