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some Compromize should be endeavoured to be made Between the Contending Parties, or The Decree (when made) must be given with the utmost Caution in point of Justice & Equity, to Correspond as much as may be with the present reasonings of the Lawyers Here.

The Points of the Second Sort which May be Conceded to, Are, Alienations on Devises, Bonds for Fees, Taking money from County Clerks, The Secretary practising In the provincially Courts; And (if still insisted on) The Examiner in Chancery, As well as Navall Officer's taking Gold & silver instead of paper money for their fees, Tho' This Last must not be yeilded to (if it can possibly be Helped) Lest the severall Navall officers in the Upper House should be so much Disobliged as to lessen their Earnestness in Support of the Governm^t in other matters: Although These Points should not be adhered to by the Government, yet the manner of Desisting from Them, ought to be rather by Disuse & in Generall Terms, than by an Explicit Disapprobation, if it can be avoided.

The Act of 3^s for Arms may be taken, if offer'd without any objection to the time of Continuance And This perhaps may be the more adviseable in this juncture of foreigne Commotions, Lest there should Happen or want of a provision for Arms, And the Countrey should pretend to justifie Themselves upon any application to His Maj^{ty} by insisting, That such a provision ought to be made out of the 12^s p hhd. & Consequently that His Lordship ought to account for 3^s out of y^r fund for the future, if not from the time of receiving it under the act of 1704: But what is here said ought not to be of weight enough to pass a Bill Clogged wth any such provisoe or Clause, as this Bill Last Session was, which reserved a right of calling His Lordship to an Account for the Collection of the Duty under the Act of 1704; For This Has a tendency to invalidate that Act: However, it Deserves Consideration, whether, If the Assembly should insist on a share in the Disposall of the monies to be raised for arms It should not be Conceded to (if it Cannot by any means be avoided) as well for the aforementioned reasons, As For That M^r Ogle in the first Session after His going thither, made a precedent of that kind, by an Act He then passed for the 3^s

There are Severall favourite Laws, which the Countrey greatly Desires, & are now Expired but may be revived in a manner suitable to the Complaisance or Good nature of the Assembly

Upon The whole, There is another very Considerable point; Whether, All or Any of These Advances, On the part of the Governm^t can be made, or will be received, with so good a Grace or effect, in the person of the present, as of Another Govern^r, since Every step for want of Confidence or Hopes, May be received by the Managers in the Lower House with a wrong interpretation. Should Another Govern^r be sent; It Cannot be Expedient, but Highly Improper The present Gent^l should Hold Another Session, A Speech