

L. H. J. what may be properly said to be in support of this Government, you
 Liber No. 46 would find very considerable sums, and not less than fifteen Hundred Pounds within a few years past disbursed for that Purpose; and I must acquaint you on this Head, that I believe myself, and probably my Predecessors, may have remitted and pardoned several Common Law Fines &^a and perhaps Act of Assembly Fines; but I presume any Lenity or Compassion of this kind, exercised towards the People, will not be thought exceptionable by their Representatives.

The Governor and Council are impowered by Act of Assembly to employ the Amerciaments in the Provincial Court as they think fit, and in Consequence of this Authority such Amerciaments (tho' by what I can find, not above One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco per annum, communibus Annis) have been allowed to the Clerk of the Council, which the Lower House of Assembly in the year 1715 were satisfied with: nor is this Disposition much different from what is done with those in Westminster Hall, for when the misericordias or Amerciaments became so inconsiderable that they were not worth the affeering and the King's Acceptance, such Amerciaments were allotted to some Officer of the Court, but never applied for the Benefit of the People.

I cannot help, Gentlemen, taking notice of your speaking of his
 p. 504 Lordship as Governor of this Province; it is an Appellation I shall not dispute with you, but at the same Time you must acknowledge he is the King's Governor and consequently plainly intitled, by the express Words of the Act of 1704, to the Fund provided by that Act to the Support of Government.

M^r Harrison hath leave of the House to go Home.

Ordered, that the Clerk of this House give notice to the absent Members that their immediate Attendance is required.

The House adjourns 'til Monday Morning at 9 of the Clock.

September 9

Monday Morning, September 9. 1745

The House met according to Adjournment. All members present as on Saturday, except M^r Harrison and M^r John Goldsborough.

The Proceedings of Saturday were read.

On Motion of a member that an Address be prepared to his Excellency, to order to be laid before this House the neat Amount of his Lordship's Quit Rents:

Ordered, that Col. King, and M^r George prepare an Address accordingly.

Col King brings in the Address to his Excellency, which was read, approved of, and ordered to be ingrossed.