

of the Land whereon the house for the Residence of a Governor is built also the Buildings and other Materials on the said Land now being whereby it not only Appeared that the said house was exposed in such Manner as that some Parts thereof were upon the Decay, but also that several of the materials purchased for the same were in great Danger of being Spoiled by Rains coming through the Roof of the house

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Under these Circumstances We Conceive that what ever Use may be hereafter made of the house or Materials, It is however not only expedient but even necessary to give such Directions for the securing and preserving them, so that they may be Usefull & Serviceable for what purposes they may be hereafter Applied to; and We shall readily Concur in whatever Measures your house thinks fit for this End.

Signed p Order John Ross Ct Up Ho.

The Speaker attended by the members of the Lower house brings up to this house the following Message

By the Lower house of Assembly 11 June 1748

May it please your honours

In answer to your Message of this Day by Benedict Calvert Esq^f Your Honours agree that what We observe with Regard to the true and genuine Design of the Inspection Law, in the Deduction of One fourth of the Tobacco is certainly Right that a Liberty was given to the Debtors thereby to pay but three fourths. We are sorry that an Intention so universally approved should meet with any Obstruction in being carried into Execution Especially in a Point so essentially necessary for Preventing avaritious and Crafty Creditors from having it in their Power to gain by Subtily & Evation a Greater sum from their unhappy Debtors, than what the Legislature Designed as a Just Equivalent under the said Law, by means whereof the People are subject to Oppression and that Justice and Equity Entended between the Creditor and Debtor intirely frustrated and the Poore Distressed Debtor Drawn into a snare that he can truly be said not to have in his Power to avoid; For if it is well known how Little freedom of Action or Person under such Circumstances Enjoys, and should such Evasive Construction Prevail, it must be Manifestly injurious to the Scope and Design of the said Law, We think it not only consistant but becoming the Legislature to Remedy an Evil so Obvious and thô Particular Inconveniencies may happen sometimes under a Law penned with the Greatest Deliberation, yet We conceive, that the Legislative Body have or ought to have the Felicity of the People whom they Govern at all times in View, and shew their good Inclinations by the Greatest Willingness to Contribute a Remedy to any Evils that may happen as soon as Discovered, so ought in more Especial Manner Regard to be had (We Apprehend) in the present Case, as your honours Well know with what