

which were Transcribed and Transmitted Home, by Order of his Majesty in Council; however, I can assure you, that all possible Care was taken in Revising them, that none might be Transmitted but such as were and remained in Force: But if any Error should possibly have happened, it will be easily corrected, by our making a Provision for, and Ordering, a general Revisal of our Acts of Assembly, which, I believe, is by every Body thought highly expedient and necessary, and which, I therefore, recommend to your Consideration. In the mean Time, if you please, and will undertake to defray the Expence thereof, I will write Home for a compleat List of those, that, in obedience to his Majesty's Order, I got Transcribed and Transmitted; or if that will afford you any Satisfaction, I will shew any Members of your House what Lists, Minutes, or Papers, relating to the Laws, I have in my Hands.

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Liber No. 48  
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Hor.<sup>o</sup> Sharpe.

The House adjourns till Two of the Clock Afternoon.

*Post-Meridiem.*

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

On reading his Excellency's Message of this Day; on Motion, Ordered, That the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in an Address, in Answer thereto.

His Excellency communicated to M.<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Message, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

The inclosed Letter and Copy of a French Officer's Instructions, who was lately killed in Virginia, will inform you what a deplorable Situation the back Inhabitants of these Provinces are in, and what daring attempts we may reasonably expect the Enemy will be encouraged to make on us, if Measures are not speedily taken to prevent and oppose them.

I must also beg Leave to remind you of the unhappy Condition of many of the late Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia, whose humble Petition you have had some Time before you, and at the same Time that I recommend to your Consideration a Copy of an Act of Assembly that has been made in Pennsylvania for the Relief of as many of those People as were imported into that Province, I would advise you to prepare a Bill for preventing or deterring those that were sent hither from leaving the Counties into which they have been, or may be, distributed, and for punishing such of them as may presume to travel to, or be discovered near, our Western Frontiers.

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Which was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.