to us, but should postpone them till you should understand that we L. H. J.

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September and recommended to our Consideration; we beg Leave to acquaint your Excellency, that we have come to a Determination on those Matters, and earnestly request you will be pleased now to communicate to us whatever you may think proper to be recommended to our Consideration at this Meeting, that we may do all in our Power to lessen the Burden to the good People of this Province, which always and the Inconvenience to ourselves which at this Time must necessarily attend our being here.

Which was Read and Assented to, and Signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered. That M.r Casson and M.r Benjamin Handy do acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath prepared an Address, to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return and acquaint M.r Speaker that his Excellency was pleased to signify he would be ready to receive the Address immediately in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That M. Carroll, with Five more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

The House adjourns until Monday Morning at 9 of the Clock.

Monday Morning, 20th September, 1756.

September

The House met according to Adjournment: All the Members appeared as on Saturday, except M.r Reynolds, M.r Govane, M.r Lloyd, and Major Travers.

M. Paca, M. James John Mackall, M. Benjamin Mackall, Col. Fitzhugh, and Capt. Jordan, appeared in the House.

The Governor communicated to M.r Speaker the following Message, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

I am glad to find by the Address which was presented Saturday Evening, that you have come to a Determination on the Matters that were recommended to you at the Opening of this Session; and as no one can be more desirous than myself of lessening the Burthen, which is always brought on the good People of this Province by your sitting here, I earnestly recommend it to you, with the utmost Dispatch to Frame a Bill, in Consequence of the Determination you are come to, that it might be offered to the Gentlemen of the Upper House for their Concurrence, and, as soon as possible, be passed into a Law.

Gentlemen,

At the Beginning of our last Session, you were pleased to declare it as your Opinion, That the most natural Strength of every free