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they must apply for a Reward for their Service: If so, no doubt they will; but on the contrary, if they are come without the Knowledge and Permission of that Gentleman, we judge it is the Reward they expect from us for Scalps and Prisoners that may have induced them; and we think they should not be disappointed, if they shall be so fortunate as to procure either. As we are still, in great Measure, Strangers to the Honourable Mr. Atkin's Commission, and the Powers he is invested with, and also to the Regulations established in Virginia, in respect to the Grants they have made of Money for the Use of our Indian Allies, when that Commission, with his Majesty's Instructions, or such Part of them as are proper to be communicated, are laid before us, with the Regulations established in Virginia relative to Indian Affairs, we shall be able to judge of the Expediency of the Measure they have taken; but till then we hope to be excused from making any Alteration in the Appropriation of the Money heretofore granted as a Reward for Scalps and Prisoners; for should Mr. Atkin have forbidden the Indians, now on our Frontier, to receive from us any Rewards for Scalps or Prisoners, as he allows it would be a very laudable Thing in our white People to intitle themselves to those large Rewards given, and says, it may be a Means of animating them to go out against the Enemy, we are unwilling to deprive the Frontier Inhabitants of the Protection that is or may be afforded them by the Excursions of Scalping Parties, and the more so as we could not obtain the Passage of a Bill, for supporting such Part of the Troops which have been raised by the Province, as we judged necessary for our immediate Defence.

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Which Address was Read; and the Question was put, Whether the House Approves the said Address, or Not? Resolved in the Affirmative.

For the Affirmative,

Plater,	Dent,	King,
Williamson,	M. Tilghman,	Lloyd,
Hynson,	Govane,	E. Tilghman,
Gassaway,	J. H. Dorsey,	Bracco,
Carroll,	Cockey Deye,	Scarborough,
J. J. Mackall,	Owings,	Chapline,
B. Mackall,	Earle,	E. Dorsey,
E. Gantt,	Baker,	Reynolds.
Hanson,	Ward,	
Lee,	Fraser,	

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For the Negative,

Sothoron,	Worthington,	Woodward,
Key,	Wilson,	Harris.
Tilden,	Edmondson,	

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