

L. H. J. House of Assembly 25,th Nov.^r 1763. Read the Second time and will
Liber No. 52 pass,
Nov. 25

Signed p Order. J. Ross Cl. Up. Ho.

Which Bill was Read here and passed for Ingressing.

The following Message.

By the Lower house of Assembly Nov.^r 25.th 1763.

May it please your Honours.

If your Honours were really disposed to preserve that Harmony which you say you wish might Subsist between the two Houses, your Message of the 23,^d we conceive, would have been in a very different Strain. We cannot be of Opinion, that entering into a Course of Reasoning with your Honours to induce you to depart from any Resolution, when we think it unsupported by Arguments, to produce in us a Conviction of its propriety, can with Justice be imputed to a disposition to Interrupt the Harmony which ought to Subsist between the two Houses, nor can we look upon your Resolutions as so sacred that they must not be Controverted, even when they appear to us to be highly unreasonable It should be the Endeavour of Both Branches to render every Bill as perfect as they can, and as a free Communication and interchange of Sentiments are the most likely means to produce this end, We are Surprized your Honours should Charge our last Message upon this Subject with irregularity and Especially when every Session might probably furnish Instances of the like practice, Why did not your Honours make the same Objection to Messages of a Similar nature in this Session upon the Inspection Bill, when you had declared your Resolutions as peremptorily as upon the present Occasion The answer is Obvious, you were very unwilling to loose the Benefits of that Law, but the Bill for the Establishment of a Seminary of Learning is not quite so palatable to your Honours for reasons which you evade to Publish, and therefore We presume the Public will not be inclined to make the most favourable Constructions upon them, nor shall we conclude but that it is the Subject itself which gives your Honours so much Offence, and we declare to you that whenever your Resolutions may be Inconsistent with the Interests of our Constituents, We shall not be Solicitous to preserve the Harmony you wish for, since an implicit Acquiescence in your Resolutions must be the Condition of it. But Supposing it the Duty of this House to pay that regard to your Resolutions which you seem to Exact, We cannot Conceive in what respect they are Contravened by our last Message. You did not Chuse, you say, to determine hastily upon the Bill, and therefore Referred it. We did not, in Our Message of the 22.^d Instant, desire you to come to any determination upon it, but on the Contrary after you had told us, that you were of Opinion that the Bill was in Many respects, imperfect and very ex-

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