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paying the least regard to any one of the many Material objections pursuant to their request so long before by this House pointed out to them; had these Lower Houses been so Earnestly desirous to raise Supplies for His Majestys Service would they so repeatedly have sent up the same Bill for that Purpose without any one material Alteration in the Plan or in any of the material parts of that Bill, would they not had they been really desirous of Granting his Majesty the demanded Supplies, have given some Indications of that desire by their Conduct in taking the proper measures to adapt a Bill for that purpose to the approbation of the upper House without whose Assent, they could not be so Ignorant as to Imagine it could pass into a Law or why did not that Earnest desire and those repeated professions of Loyalty towards his Majesty produce some other plan than that of a Confused, Absurd, Unjust, Unequal, and oppressive assessment were those Houses so barren of Invention or Genius as to be Incapable of forming any other, this was not the Case, why then when other plans more just and equal less Intricate in their nature liable to fewer Objections and infinitely less Dangerous to the undoubted prerogatives of the Crown and the rights and Liberties of the People than your favourite assessment Bill were formed and propoised to those Houses why were they no sooner proposed than voted out, But that whatever were their professions the[y] had no Intentions of raising Supplies for his Majestys Service, nor of affording this House an Oppertunity of Coming to an agreement with them at a less expence than that of his Majestys prerogatives and the Peoples liberties by a total Subversion of our present Constitution, and lodging the Several powers thereof now equally destributed for the preservation of the whole in their hands and if their warmest professions appear thus destitute of Truth and Candour what regard are we to pay to those so often repeated by your Selves

Give us leave therefore Gentlemen to say you could not flatter your Selves that the Message accompanying your assessment Bill to this House would have produced an agreement between the two Houses about the manner of raising Supplies for his Majestys Service because amongst other reasons you express your fear that it would not have that effect but if you were afraid of the Success of this Method why would you offer it surely a Real Concern for his Majestys Service would have Suggested some other Method but altho you might fear you were far from being Satisfyed we would not Pass that Bill; And pray Gentlemen why were you not Satisfyed, Or what will Satisfy you, if eight Successive refusals of such a Bill will not Could you have any reason to expect or even to Entertain the most distant hope that the Ninth offer of the like Bill could have better Success than the 8 preceeding, But you were not Satisfyed that we would at this time Obstinatey Adhere to Objections