

U. H. J. honourable Charles Pratt Lord Cambden" with a Negative, because
Liber No. 36 you have thereby assumed the exclusive Right of appropriating or
Dec. 5 applying a sum of the Public Money, expressly by Law subject to
the Disposition of the General Assembly; if you will frame a Bill
for the purposes of that which we have rejected, in a manner Consistent with our Rights, We shall be willing to give our Assent to it

Signed ꝑ order Upton Scott Cl: Up: Ho:

Read the first and second time by especial Order in this House the Bill Entituled a Supplementary Act to the Act Entituled An Act for the Direction of Sheriffs in their Offices and for restraining their Ill Practices within this Province and will not Pass Sent by John Ridout Esq..^r

Read and assented to the Journal of Accounts

Read the second time the Bill Entituled An Act for the Payment of the Public Claims for Emitting Bills of Credit, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and will Pass Sent together with the Journal of Accounts and the following Message by Richard Lee Esq..^r

By the Upper House of Assembly 5.th Dec.:^r 1766.

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We observe, with great Concern, and no less Surprise, that you have taken Offence at our Message attending the Return of the Bill for the Payment of the Public Claims for Emitting Bills of Credit and for other purposes therein mentioned

We framed it with all the Caution we could use to avoid every probable Occasion of a Disagreement, which might disappoint the General Expectation that the Public Claims would be Satisfied, and some Relief be applied, by an Emission of Bills of Credit, to the general Distress of the Province, arising from the extreme Scarcity of Money; but unfortunately the Measure We took, under a very different Conception, you Consider as an Attack upon /as you are pleased to call it/ an inherent undoubted and fundamental Right Claimed by your House

In the Year 1732, when the design of a Paper Emission was first Conceived, The Lower House sent to the Upper House the following Message Viz..^t "This House being of Opinion that a Paper Currency would Contribute to retrieve the Trade of this Province, and to remove many of the Difficulties under which the People Labour, hath agreed that a Bill shall be brought in for that Purpose, but as it is a matter of great Weight and Importance to the Country, we Conceive that it is best, in order to preserve a good Correspondence in every Step to be taken in an affair of such great Consequence, and for the Dispatch of the Public Business, to desire a Conference with such Members of your House as your Honours shall think fit to appoint with some of the Lower House in order to Consider of the