

tried, is highly derogatory of the Rights of British Subjects, as thereby the inestimable Privilege of being tried by a Jury from the Vicinage, as well as the Liberty of summoning and producing Witnesses on such Trial, will be taken away from the Party accused.

L. H. J.
Liber No. 54
Dec. 19

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that an humble, dutiful, and loyal Address be presented to his Majesty, to assure him of our inviolable Attachment to his sacred Person and Government, and to beseech his Royal Interposition, as the Father of all his People, however remote from the Seat of his Empire, to quiet the Minds of his loyal Subjects of this Colony, and to avert from them those Dangers and Miseries which will ensue, from the seizing and carrying beyond Sea any Persons residing in America, suspected of any Crimes whatsoever, to be tried in any other Manner, than by the antient and long established Course of Proceeding.

The said Resolutions being severally read a Second Time, Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Speaker of this House do transmit, without Delay, to the Speakers of the several Houses of Assembly on this Continent, a Copy of the Resolutions now agreed to by this House, and request their Concurrence therein. A true Copy, extracted from the Journals of the House of Burgesses.

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Ordered, That the said Letter and Resolves be read.

Ordered, That the said Letter, and Resolves, be taken into Consideration To-morrow Morning, at the sitting of the House.

The House adjourns 'til To-morrow Morning 9 o'Clock.

Wednesday, December 20.th

Dec. 20

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Members were called, and all appeared, as on Yesterday, except M.^r Chase and M.^r Worthington.

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

The Governor communicated to M.^r Speaker the following Extract of a Letter from Lord Hillsborough.

Extract of a Letter from the Earl of Hillsborough, dated May 13.th 1769.

“But I can take upon me to assure you, notwithstanding Insinuations to the contrary, from Men with factious and seditious Views, that his Majesty's present Administration have at no Time entertained a Design to propose to Parliament to lay any further Taxes on America for the Purpose of raising a Revenue, and that it is at

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