

U. H. J.
Liber No. 36
Nov. 26

Whereupon the Conferees of the Lower House Recur to their House for Instructions.

They return and acquaint the Conferees of the Upper House that their House have directed them to agree to a further Adjournment of the Conference.

The Conferees Adjourn until Monday 4 oClock in the Afternoon

Monday Afternoon 25.th November 1771.

The Conferees met according to Adjournment

Present as on Saturday.

The Conferees Adjourn until to Morrow Morning 11 oClock

Tuesday Morning 26.th of November 1771.

The Conferees met according to Adjournment

Present as Yesterday except M.^r Chase of the Lower House.

The Conferees of the Upper House deliver to those of the Lower House the following.

p. 613 When Applications were made to Us from time to time by the Conferees of the Lower House to defer our Meeting we were flattered by our ardent Wishes for a reasonable Settlement that the Interval gained by the frequent Adjournments, would be productive of some expedient, by which Dissent might be reconciled and the Passage of the Inspection Bill facilitated and were therefore struck with concern and Surprise when we found that the Time had been misemployed in perverting Facts and indulging a petulance, which the least Idea of Decorum unextinguished by the Inveteracy of Habit would have repressed.

You hoped, so you have professed, that Reason and Argument would reconcile the differing Sentiments of the two Houses and therefore agreed to a Conference. If such was really your hope it is unfortunate indeed that you so entirely forgot the Grounds of it as instead of Reason and Argument to offer professions for proofs Evasions for Answers, Assertions to convince, and rudeness to conciliate.

The Eulogy's on your "unbiassed Judgment," "immutable Justice" and "soundest policy" would have been more graceful and Honourable, had they not been bestowed by yourselves, and better Credited too, unless your Reliance be infallible, that Credulity will keep pace with Confidence.

The Regulation of Officers Fees is as certainly of Importance, as that an express Law preventive of Contest is better than opinions