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By the UPPER HOUSE Of ASSEMBLY, 18th Movember, 2776.

N the last Session of Assembly, we returned with a Negative, and Message, the Bill entitled "An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Regulation of Officers Fees," our Mellage, containing a general Proposition for Alterations; we hoped might produce a Conference, and thereby facilitate an Agreement

between the Two Houles, for patting an Act of so great Utility to the Province.

We were then governed by Precedents, which appear on the Journals, particularly in the Year 1745, when an Act for the Limitation of Officers Fees, which had taken Rife in the Lower

Howse, was efferned from this with a Negative and Message.
Upon the Return of this Bill, in the Manner mentioned, the Lower House proposed a Confes

rence by Mellage, and a Bill in consequence of it was stamed. In the Year 1766, when the Journal of Accounts was returned to your House with a Negative, there was a similar Proceeding. But this Method having failed of the Effect we wished, tive, there was a umilar Proceeding. But this Method having failed of the Effect we wished, and imagining it thight be more agreeable to you, that a Conference should be proposed by this House, we this Session retained your Bill, and, on our Part, made the Overture for a Conference, according to the Course pursued it 1747, when the first inspection Act passed. By your Message of Yesterday we find, that neither is this Method agreeable to you; but you defire us to point out Amendments, and that you will agree to a Conference thereon, it is jou think it expenses the similar.

dimi." You much be ferfible that, if we were to enter minutely into a Confideration of all the Parts. You much be ferfible that, if we were to enter minutely into a Confideration of all the Parts. and Artieles of the Bill, detail all our Exceptions, and apply diffinally our Observations, in Support of our Opinion, it would be a Work of great Length, take up much Time, and be productive of a confiderable Expense, and especially if this Proceeding should draw from you a Mellage of the fame Kind, and you at laft not judge a Conference to be expedient. Wherefore we

make the following general Propositions:

That the Regulation of the Fees of Officers and Lawyers, and the Provisions dependant thereon, be the fame, as in the last Inspection Act, the Mode of recovering Penalties be the fame, that there be no new Allowance on Toblaced Payments, of that the Clause, in which it is comprifed, may be explained fo clearly at to extend only to eropped Tobacco.

That all Perform, whether they shall make Tobacco or not, may elect to pay all Fees in Tobacco or Money; in the Manner provided by the Bill; that the Poll-Tak may be paid in the bacco or Money; in the Manner provided by the Bill; fame Manner; with this Difference only, that in Case of a Payment in Money, the Clergy may fame to an analysis of the Clergy may fame Manner; with this Difference only, that in Case of a Payment in Money, the Clergy may fame to an analysis of the Clergy may fa

directed by the last Regulation. Should you think the Income from the Fees of the Secretary, Commissary-General, and Judges of the Land Office, will be too great on this Plan, we propose, if you think proper, that there may be an annual stated Income paid to these Officers respectively, of £. 600 Sterling, in Lieu of all other Fees, Perquisites, and Emoluments, and that these may be accounted for, and applied to the publick Use, as the General Assembly shall direct.

Lastly, that the Fees, and Proportion of the Poll-Tax, which became due, during the Existence of the late Regulation, and remain unsatisfied, may be accordingly paid.

Signed by Order,

U. SCOTT, Clk. Up. Ho.

By the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, November 12, 1770.

May it please your HONOURS, THE Propositions which accompanied your Negative on the Inspection Bill last Session, having been made after that Bill had been some Days before you, and requiring Alterahaving been made after that Bill had been some Days before you, and requiring Alterations in principal Points; from which we were determined not to recede, we could not imagine there was the least Probability of bringing about an Agreement at that Time, and therefore we declined protracting the Sellion by any Procedure from which we could expect nothing but a fruitless Expence. From like Motives we declined going into a Conference generally on the Bill now before you, in Consequence of your Message of the 8th Instant, by Daniel Dulany, Eq; or to engage to confer on the Amendments you might propose, before we had them before us in View, esteeming any Conference expedient in Proportion only to the probable Event.

But having considered your last Message, which narrowed the Subject to the general Propositions contained therein, we agree that the Bill be expressed in other Terms to give an Allowance of Four per Cent. on the Payment of Cropped Tobacco, if you still think any further Expressions needs in Case it is not sufficiently certain, Lawyers Fees be more fully stead of 30 per Poll, and that in Case it is not sufficiently certain, Lawyers Fees be more fully

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