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on the Publick which I am afraid, tho' the justness  
of it is not questioned will never be favourably heard  
& could wish - He had not contrary to advice, built  
so much on the publick Credit. That Claim of  
doubt is not the least thing, that deters the Assembly  
from completing the Gov<sup>r</sup>s House which I should  
have recommended, but it was thought a Bill  
for that purpose proposed by some of their own  
Members next Session would promise greater  
probability of Success: The House at present is in  
a ruinous condition; The Timbers within & Roof  
being perished for want of a covering. My  
Compliance at present with the 8<sup>th</sup> Article of private  
Instructions by giving orders to the Agent for the  
receipt of the Money arising from ordinary  
Licences is rendered impossible by a Law passed in  
June 1746 "Entitled an Act for issuing & taking  
out of the Office of the Commissioners or Trustees  
appointed for emitting Bills of Credit &c" which  
appropriates the Money arising thence to the payment  
of the Debt contracted by the preparations for the  
Canada Expedition w<sup>ch</sup> Debt is not yet discharged.