

A Message from the Lower house by Mr. (his Eldyne), Mr. Rowley,
Mr. Hutton, Mr. Hill, Capt. Sibrey, Mr. Smith, William Richardson, Mr. Addams,
Mr. Bebotham, Capt. Figue, Capt. Ladd, Mr. Frisby Viz:

An Act concerning Negroes and Slaves —

An Act for revising certain Laws within this Province thus passed
Sep^r. the 14th 1681 The Lower house have assented —

{ Boteler & Assistant of the Lower house of Assembly.

The Act concerning Negroes and Slaves thus passed —

September the 16th 1681. The Lower house have assented

{ Boteler & Assistant of the Lower house of Assembly.

also an Act for Confirmation of the Laws of this Province in this and
future Assemblies also passed the Lower house thus —

September the 17th 1681 The Lower house have assented —

{ Boteler & Ass^t of the Lower house of Assembly —

Together also with this following Address Viz:

May it please Your Lordship

We the Delegates and Representatives in this present
Generall Assembly make this our humble Petition
and Address to your Lordship —

That having taken into Consideration the Inconveniencies that may
happen in case of Your Lordships Departure at any time out of this
Province, and not sufficiently empowering in your Absence your Lord-
ships Governor or Lieutenant Generall to give a full and Absolute Con-
sent to such Laws as may then be enacted, for remedy of which this house
having prepared one Good and Equitable Bill which is herewith all-
presented to your Lordship Intituled an Act for the Confirmation of the
Laws of the Province in this and future Assemblies, and sent the same
unto the Upper house of Assembly, afterwards Seconded with severall
Good and Unanswerable reasons, to induce their Honours assent to
the same, which to our great Grief and Disatisfaction after some
Considerable Delay was returned Dissented to whereby We have
been left frustrated [so far] of our Innocent and Equitable desires
of getting their Honours assent to the said Bill, so much to the Dama-
ge and Content of the Inhabitants of this Province —

Wherefore your Lordships most Humble Petitioners the Delegates
of this General Assembly, Do make this their further Address and
Application to your Lordship Desiring your Lordship to take the
Premises into your Consideration, and to signify your Lordships
Willingness to the Upper house of Assembly for the passing the said Bill
that there may be no longer hindrance of the same; which will be ever
taken and acknowledged as a signal kindness and favour from your
Lordship, on your Lordships most humble and Obedient Servants
The Delegates & Representatives of this present Generall Assembly —