

Resolved the said Bill be referred for further, next Session of
 Assembly. The said Yeas of the Council likewise
 directed the following Message to Mr. Speaker.

By the Council in Assembly Novemb^r. 54th 1754. —
 We have consider'd the Bill of you sent up this Day by Mr. John
 Mackall and seven others of your House and the Message accompany-
 ing the same — and since we have as eminently justifi'd ~~the same~~ that
 we have the true interest of our Country as much at heart as any of
 your House we differ in Judgment about the time and manner
 of promoting some things you think will conduce to it — we know not
 why you should (after we have endeavour'd to redress the greatest aggrava-
 tions you represent'd at the beginning of this Session) reflect upon us
 not only as partiall and unjust in denying you liberty of other his Majesty's
 Subjects in our plantations but aspers us with gratifying the
 desires of merciless Creditors and mercenary Officers in Order to enflame
 and impoverish the Commonality.

gentl. Unless you lay aside these heats and reflections you will interrupt
 the good correspondence you ought to cultivate with this Hon^{ble} Board —
 and render all our endeavors for the good of the Country ineffectual —
 Or were you gratified in what you desire, it would be a matter of such
 moment that it would discourage and ruin ^{all} trade and Commerce with us —
 and thereby render us far more miserable than our worst circumstances
 now are and give occasion to Creditors loudly to complain of our
 Injustice and partiality to the great scandal of our Country which
 will not easily be wiped off.

We cannot apprehend why you should send us such a Message unless
 you were conscious to your selves we have just reasons to reject the
 Bill you propose. Signed Order Warden & Council —
 Upon Reading and debating the aforesaid Message Resolved it
 be Answer'd as followeth

By the House of Delegates 54th Novemb^r. 1754. —
 We have read and consider'd your Message last sent us by Col. Hollis
 and four other Members of your Board and know not how you can
 interpret our Message this Morning to reflect on your Hon^{ors} whom
 we never design'd it we cannot hold your differing in Judgment from
 us but since you must own we more immediately represent the people
 than your Hon^{ors} Board you must allow us ^{know} of their oppression
 and we offer the properest remedies we can to relieve them we
 (have)