

We take it that a Legislative Body is not Tied to Common Rules, for that if the thing Done be
Just they may make new Rules or Dispences with old ones as to the Manner of doing it.

It is likewise our humbles Opinions that when a Council pleading for Malefactors
dares the Court to plead before to proceed against them - it is not behaving himself
with that Duty and Respect that Mr. Edward Northey Monitors - We are likewise
humbly of Opinion that the Courts are the proper Judges to Concede the behaviour
of their own Officers and it appears that those Courts wherein Mr. Maennara practiced
condemned him. And as it seems out of a Disposition of their own power, because of an
Order of her late Majesty obtained for his pleading, prayed the Legislature in aid
many of the members whereof were Judges in those Courts wherein he pleaded
and personally privy to his ill Conduct complained of, and were only unwilling -
to Subject themselves to the weight of his Contentments by suspending him -
without an Act we think the Legislature could do no less than make a Law
to Support them in this behalf, if then he ought to have been heard, it ought
not to have been Exparte if not so then the Courts would be drawn in to consider
that Matter of which we think they are Judges - But if this Legislature have it
not in their power to redress their Country's Grievances and remove Usances -
(and they have found him both) if this man must be supported in his practice
in Spight of Courts and Country, and that that be thought more Reasonable than
to Support his Lordships Authority in the Oppon of his Magistrates against him
Especially, considering that there is no Encouragem^t by fees or pension for those
that serve as Judges and that it is a great Burthen to those that do, and if
Every one that is Qualified will Endeavour to avoid those Stations if they must
Either Family Submit to affronts or Draw themselves in to tedious and disagreeable
Contests by their acting in them, we are not then so happy in our Constitution
as we hoped we had reason to believe for (pardon the Expression) what
Impartiality can there be in Judges where if they oblige not the resenting
Council pleading before them they are sure to be rebuked or affronted by him
or become the Object of his revenge? Is it not then necessary for the Legislature
to Intervene where the hon^r. of his Lordships Government the Support of his Magistrates
in the Administration of Justice and the peace and Quiet of the Country are so nearly
Concerned? Can the Opinions of the Learned Council be more Considerable in
an Aggravance complained of by the Country than the Judicial procedure
of the whole Legislative Body, if it who bested in that Law and put it on
three or four several Readings Nomine Contradictio all w^{ch} is referred to the
... how by the said Committee - (Signed Order -) Jack Denton Esq

Postmeridie the house meet according to Adjournment

Mr. Selghman from the Upper house Delivers Mr. Speaker the bill for Limitation
of Officers fees w^{ch} the following Message bet^w - By the Upper house of a solemnly
Since 3: 1719 Gent by your Message of the 1st Inst. you Insist that we
Concur with you in regulating Officers fees as proposed in your bill we again
acquaint you that it is our Opinion that the proper time for that affair
will be when his Lordship is of age, and is personally here (as we are informed
he Intends to be) for then we can argue the Reasonableness of things in
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