

twenty years and no general complaint (made of the inconvenience)
you now start. We are unwilling to put a stop to the firmness of the common
law which is every Mans birthright and therefore desire you will
not further insist on this matter.

Signed for the Upper House by Tho: Maclaren Esq: Sec: Ho:

The House adjourned till one o'clock in the afternoon.

The House being called over was present as in the morning.

Then the house proceeded to consider of the Message of the 24th instant
sent from the Upper house by the Hon^{ble} Thomas Brooks Esq: and nine
others, in answer to which the following Message was prepared, which
was ordered to be entered as follows.

By the Lower House of Assembly July 28th 1716.

May it Please your Ex^{ty} and Hon^{ty}:

The purport of your Message of the 24th instant by the Hon^{ble}
Tho: Brooks Esq: and nine others of the Hon^{ble} Members of the Upper house
requiring the utmost deliberation has been the reason that the answering
the same has been so long deferred, this house having considered of
the two proposals thereby made by order of the Right Hon^{ble} the said
Prop^{ty} about our Land Rents has resolved to lay an additional
duty of 6. Sters p^{ch} of Tob^o to be payd his Lordships in full recompense
of the said Land Rents and fines for alienations; and for as much as
the duty of 6. p^{ch} to be imposed on Tob^o seems to be so great a burthen
on that trade. We pray that the 3^d p^{ch} for the defraying the publick
Charge of this Province may be taken away having endeavored to
provide a suitable support for that by the proposed bill about
Negroes and Irish Servants and pray your Ex^{ty} and honours
Concurrence therein.

Signed for the Tho: Maclaren Esq: Sec: Ho:

Sent to the Upper House by Col Hoskins, Col Henman, Mr Robbins Mr
Baker Mr Kendall, Col John Ward, Mr Charles Wright, May^r Hawkins
Capt. Foroles Mr Hopkins, Capt. Colegate Mr Bond Mr Waghupe,
Mr Young and Mr Turbutt.

They return and say they delivered it.

Mr Matthias Daundersheyden having this day received information
of his family being sick has leave to depart this house for this Province.

Col Coursey Col Ennalls Col Young John Hall Esq: and Col
Whittington deliver Mr: Speaker the following.

Bill for the Better security of the peace and safety of his Lordships
Government & and the Protestant interest within this Province.
thus Endorsed.

By the Upr: House of Assembly July 28th 1716.

This Bill being read in this House it is remarked that the appropria-
tion of the fine therein is not sufficiently expressly and therefore it