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Majestys Subjects of the Kingdom of Ireland to which we have deferred
and except the Act ascertaining the Gauge & Sale of Tobacco whereby
our own Revenue and the Support of our Government are provided for
which still lies before us for our further Consideration.

As we cannot enough Commend the Loyalty & Zeal you have shewn
for his Majesty and the Succession in the illustrious House of Hanover
so none of those Laws to which we have assented with a more
ready Confirmation than that which makes it penal for men to
act in Employment without Taking the Oath our Dear Son King
George, whereby Protestants and Papists may clearly perceive that Your
Lord and Property is not as has been maliciously suggested by some, a
Papists Masquerade but a true Protestant of the Church of England
in which Faith he is Resolved to Live and Die.

Gent^s - We have at heart the welfare and Prosperity of the people
of this Province & equal to that of our own and are Determined never to
do anything that may separate that Union which may tend so
much to the Common Good an early instance hereof we manifested
when we directed Capt. Hart to lay before you on what Conditions we
were willing to Give up our Quit Rents and Alienation fines as a
Concession which nothing but the good and relief of the poor
and more numerous part of our people could have prevailed
with us to have consented to, and having done so much on our part
for the ease and Benefit of our People. we are surpris'd to find
that you should rather choose to give the money which is appro-
priated to the Support of our Govern^t. to the only use of our Deputy for
the time being rather than our own use with our Hon^r. we never
can consent to.

We have therefore Instructed our St. Govern^r to lay before
you on what Conditions we are still willing to part with our quit rents
and Alienation fines, and Doubt not but the Planter by the ease he
will find in the payment of his Rents and the Trader by the advantageous
provision of Reshipping free their Tob^o. - upon any loss that shall happen
to them at sea in their voyage Homewards will find their Benefit thereby
and that all Feuds Animosities among our people, will for the
future be laid aside and the Province continue to increase and
flourish under the Family of Battenmore.

After which His Excellency was pleased to Deliver - himself to
Mr. Speaker and the Members of this house in the following Words
Gent^s - of the Upper and Lower House of Assembly.
The Right Honble the Lord Prop^r and his Lordships
noble Guardian the Right Honble the Lord Guilford having given
you in that speech I had now the Hon^r. to deliver to you in this