

Should be duly signified to this Province otherwise the said Money was to be applied to the Defraying the publick Charge.

We also find by an Act past the 9th August Last to Confirm his Lordship's acceptance of the said 18th p^{er} cent (which his Lordship has signified his assent to) that his Lordship was willing to accept of the said 18th p^{er} cent on y^e Conditions mentioned in that Law.

We presume his L^{ty} accepted the said Money as then raised and therefore we hope his L^{ty} cannot esteem it a carving for themselves that the Navall officers have charged eight p^{er} cent for Receiving since that is the Salary allowed them by law for their Collections - and we apprehend his L^{ty} or his agent here could not be otherwise than privity to the Manner of the Collection since 'twas Directed in the Body of the Law and the Money being actually Collected by the Navall officers before his L^{ty}s acceptance signified.

We cannot think of wth Service his L^{ty}s own Officers could be in the Collecting y^e Money, which was but conditionally raised or that such Charge could be any Surprise upon his Lordship.

But if these reasons will not sufficiently weigh with you how to exempt us from the Reimbursing my Lord the 8th p^{er} cent Salary aforesaid - We must humbly desire that your Honours will consent to have the same referred till next Sessions being in hopes that y^e business of this Session of this Session is near a Conclusion.

Signed for order Mich: Jenifer Esq: Clk: Ho:

They return and say they delivered it.

M^r: Harris from the Committee of Laws delivers M^r: Speaker, an Engrost Bill being a Supplementary Bill to the Act for Limitation of officers Fees, which was read and ordered to be thus indorsed With: - June y^e 8th 1717.

Read and assented to by the Lower House of Assembly - and

Signed for order Mich: Jenifer Esq: Clk: Low: House.

And sent to the Upper House by M^r: Turbutt and M^r: Emerson

They return and say they delivered it.

Col^o: Addison from the Upper House delivers M^r: Speaker, The following Message, Viz: -

By the Upper House of Assembly Saturday June y^e 8th 1717.

Gent: - On reading your message p^r M^r: Wilson and two others relating to the eight p^{er} cent, we agree the Consideration thereof be referred to the next Sessions of Assembly.

Signed for order John: Bards Esq: Clk: U^p: Ho:

Whereupon the same is referred till next Sessions -

Resolved y^e a sume not exceeding 50⁰⁰ Sterling be raised out