

Lordships would not have been of Equal weight, with us so as to induce us to desire a change, yet they are well Considered by the Special Favor, your Lordship hath been pleased to confer on us. (Viz.)

The Appointment of a Gentleman to Rule over us of this adherence to the Protestant Interest known Loyalty to the King and we verily believe a well wisher of your Lordships Government and the Happiness of your people here (and we are persuaded conform to your Lordships desire and his own good Intentions he will exert himself in his Endeavours of Healing our late Divisions by which we shall (like good Christians) be united in Order to pursue your Lordships Interest and the Common Good and we are persuaded, and Desiring Proofs of what demonstration we ever will Enjoy such Indulgences as can Reasonably be allowed, then so we have just reason to believe they will think themselves happy under the same and thereby be prevented from giving disturbance to the Government, or uneasiness to themselves.

We are sensibly touched on account of the seeming dissatisfaction your Lordship is pleased to Express an account of the Late Regulation of Officers fees being finally assured, were your Lordship timely apprised of the Large Sums the fees of the Several Officers amount unto your Lordship would in all probability incline to a part to that Regulation which we may justly affirm (by Reason of the Good Number of People in the Province) amounts to much more than they did when the former Act was made (which in the judgment of Every Distinguished Person here) are abundantly sufficient for the Hon^{ble} Support of your Lordships Great Officers, a handsome maintenance to the lesser and a sufficient encouragement to Every of them to discharge the Duties incumbent on them. It is when Reason we humbly take leave to Subject the pressures of the several Sort of your Lordships people, have long laboured under by Reason of those Exorbitant Fees, prescribed by the first Law so that on due Consideration of the whole we have no Reason to think to believe your Lordship will not incline to Consent to a just Regulation.

It is also a great Satisfaction that your Lordship is pleased to Approve the Choice we had made, of old Blackstone for our agent a person who has long and pleasantly served, as in the Recommendation of our Affairs to your Lordship, as Accasion did offer.

Colo. Selkman from the Upper House, Delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message. (Viz.)

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