

October the 2d 1723.

On a Motion made by the Committee of Accounts, *Resolved*, Councillors Allowances resolved at gainst.
That no Allowance be made to any of the Members of his Lordship's Honourable Council, for their Attendance out of Assembly Time, except at such times as they or any of them shall sit and attend in the High Court of Appeals.

October the 5th 1723.

On a Motion made from the Committee of Accounts, relating to the Allowances to be made to Councillors out of Assembly Time, and on reading a Letter from the Members of the Council, to that Committee, relating thereto, This House are not willing to recede from their former Resolution on that Occasion made.

J. R. Esq; from the Upper House delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message, *viz.*

By the Upper House of Assembly, October the 10th 1723.

Gentlemen;

THe usual Allowances for Attendance as a Council of State, is Message from the Upper House about the Councillors Allowances. being denied to some of the Members of our House, by the Committee of Accounts, gives Occasion to so much the greater Surprise, as your Resolution therein comes so unexpectedly. For by the long Continuance thereof, we had a great deal of Reason to be of Opinion, that your House had been fully convinced of the Reasonableness, as well as Justice of those Allowances, made on Account of our Attendance upon Emergencies of Government, seeing that you cannot be insensible, that the Interest and Common Weal of this Province are so interwove and inseparably united to that of our Lord Proprietary, that there can be no separation, without hazarding the Dissolution of the whole; Nor could we have imagined that your House would have fallen on any such Measures as should give the least umbrage of discouraging our faithful Services to his Lordship for the Common Good of the Inhabitants of this Province, either by denying us such Reasonable and Customary Allowances as barely defray the Charge of leaving our Families for the Service of the Publick, or by any other means whatsoever.

But, supposing that you had some Reasons for this Innovation, and that your House should be of Opinion that the Lord Proprietary ought to defray the Charge and Attendance of his Council of State, out of the publick Revenue, yet you will give us leave to put you in Mind, that the whole of the Revenue arising by Act of Assembly is entirely applyed to the Uses therein Mentioned, and to no other Uses whatsoever, and leaves no room, as we conceive, for your House to expect that our Allowances should be paid out of that Revenue, unless some further Provision had been made for the better enabling his Lordship, in the Support of such Charges, as necessarily attends the Dispatch of the publick Business; wherein we, who are of his Lordship's Council, conceive, that we have the Common Weal of this Province as much at Heart, and as much under our Care, as when we are called to act, in Conjunction with your House, in the making of such wholesom and beneficial Laws, as seem most necessary for the good Government thereof.

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