

We assure your Lordship, none shall be more Loyal Dutiful Subjects to His most Sacred Majesty King GEORGE, by and under whose Protection and Laws we Claim what we now insist on from your Lordship, nor more faithful Tenants to your Lordship, than, May it please your Lordship,

*Your Lordship's most Dutiful*

*and Obedient Humble Servants.*

The following Message is prepared, viz.

*By the Lower House of Assembly, October the 21st 1723.*

*May it please your Honours;*

*Answer to Col. M.  
Sagebton Council.  
lers Allowance,*

**W**E are now, we hope, come to the close of the Arguments about the Allowances your Honours Claim, as a Council of State, and as those Allowances ought to be founded on some Law, or on a just and reasonable Custom, and there being no Law now in force, nor Custom that has any reasonable Foundation, that we know of, we cannot Recede from our former Resolutions, nor agree to put our own Allowances, which are founded on a Law in force, upon the same foot with that which has none to Support it. And if it be your Honours Resolutions not to assent to our Allowances, which you are convinced, as we doubt not, are Just and Reasonable, and have a Law in force to Support them, for no other cause, but that we will not assent to your Honours Claims, which we have given you our Reasons for, we shall only declare, That your Honours make such use of your Power in this Case, as we hope this House never will of theirs.

We therefore herewith send the Journal of the Committee of Accounts again to your Honours, waiting your final Answer.

*Sign'd per Order, M. J. Cl. Lo. Hd.*

*Sent with the Journal of the Committee of Accounts.* Which with the Journal therein mentioned, was sent to the Upper House by Col. M. and five others. They returning and say, they delivered them.

Col. H. and two others from the Upper House, deliver Mr. Speaker the following Message, viz.

*By the Upper House of Assembly, October the 22d 1723.*

*Gentlemen;*

*7th Message.*

**W**E have Read and Considered your Message of the 21<sup>st</sup> Instant, by Col. M. and five others, and are of opinion, That if a Law, or just and reasonable Custom would induce you to consent to our Allowances, we should have no occasion to dispute with your House about them; for we have hitherto been sufficiently provided for by those means as we have observed to you in our former Messages, altho' your House seems Resolved not to regard them. And could you have given us any Reasons of weight to avoid our Claims, we have so great a regard to Justice, that we should never have insisted on them. Neither have we ever yet