

Proceedings, we therefore make it our humble Suit to your Honour, that since we have been Sitting nigh this Week at the Country's Expence, and to our own great Fatigue without having any thing new propos'd to us, from the Honourable the Upper House and being under daily Expectation of having the Sessions Concluded, we could not proceed to any thing new in our own House, lest such Proceeding should be interrupted by such Conclusion we have Room given us to believe it might be hourly Expected. And forasmuch as it is our real Opinions from the best Observations we can make that the Honourable Upper House endeavours to impede or at least delay the putting an end to this unnecessary and excessive Charge by insisting on Matters wherein themselves are interested and pretending to continue Arguments thereon, tho' they are driven to the necessity of repeating, and new dressing their old ones instead of offering new, after they have had the Resolutions of this House frequently repeated to them that we could not even for Duty and Conscience sake Comply with their Demands, whereby it seems as if they endeavour'd to enforce us to Submit to their bad reasoning as by a kind of Durefs; which we are firmly Resolved, we will never do, unless our Consciences can be satisfied of the Right of their Claim.

We therefore humbly pray your Honour that you will be favourably pleas'd to interpose your Authority and to dismiss us either by Prorogation, Dissolution or Adjournment, as to your Honour shall seem meet; unless your Honour shall think fit to propose any Matter your self, that you may think proper; which we shall ever pay all due Regard to, and shew your Honour how much we are,
Your Faithful, Dutiful and Obedient Servants.

Sign'd per Order of the Lower House, R. U. Speaker.

Which was sent to his Honour the Governour, by Col. M. and Eleven other Members. They return and say, they delivered it.

Mr. Speaker Communicates to this House the following Letter from his Honour the Governour, viz.

Mr. Speaker,

I Desire you'll please to acquaint your House that I return them my sincere Thanks for the great regard they express for any thing that shall come from me, to your House, I have nothing to lay before them, and am heartily sorry that any misunderstanding has arose between the two Houses, nothing shall be wanting in me to accomodate this Difference, and will put a speedy end to this Sessions if your House doth not proceed on further Business.

October 25th 1723.

C. C.

To the Honourable R. U. Esq; Speaker of the Lower House of Assembly.

Saturday, October the 26th

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

By the Upper House of Assembly, October the 25th 1723.

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Gentlemen;