

By the Upper House of Assembly, October the 29th 1724.

Gentlemen;

**T**He Bill herewith sent, entituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act for Trying matters of Fact, &c.* will pass with the Amendments proposed in your Message by Mr. G. and Mr. B. and a limitation of it's Continuance for two Years.

Sign'd per Order, S. S. Cl. Up. Ho.

*A Supplementary Bill to the Act for Tryals of matters of Fact in the Counties, &c.* was read, with the Amendments, and pass, which was so Endorsed, and sent to the Upper House by Mr. T. and Mr. O. They return, and say, they delivered it.

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

By the Upper House of Assembly, October the 30th 1724.

Gentlemen;

**W**E have read and considered the Report of your Committee of Aggrievances and are concerned to find that such Misunderstandings and Differences arise between the Sheriffs and People of the several Counties, but as your selves acknowledge, it's almost impracticable, by any Written Rules, to prevent all Inconveniences of that kind: We can only say, we wish it in our Power so to do, and we shall be always ready to contribute our Endeavours by any Reasonable means to accomplish so good a Work. We observe, your said Committee propose it, as an Expedient for reconciling those Differences, that the Sheriff be made Elective by the Voices of the People; but we are much afraid, that such a method would rather prove a Foundation for Confusion and party Animosities succeeded by the Oppression of those who appeared not to be of the prevailing Candidates party, than a Remedy against the before-mentioned Evils; besides, the appointing of Sheriffs in the several Counties within this Province, has been hitherto thought a Branch of our Proprietary's Prerogative, as appears by a continued Practice for many Years.

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Col. T from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Supplementary Bill to the *Act for Tryal of matters of Fact in the Counties, &c.* thus Endorsed, *viz.*

By the Upper House of Assembly, October the 30th, 1724.  
Read and will pass.

Sign'd per Order, S. S. Cl. Up. Ho.

The following Message is prepared, *viz.*

By the Lower House of Assembly, October the 30th, 1724.

May it please your Honours;

**W**E thankfully accept your Honours kind Promises of your Endeavours to accomplish so good a Work as the preventing

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