

to all Bodies Politick and Corporate, and all other Persons not mentioned in this Act, their severall and respective Rights.

Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

Philip Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message :

By the Upper House of Assembly, June 4. 1739.

Gentlemen,

As the Journals of the Council are now fairly Transcribed in Seven Books, prepared for that Purpose by the Clerk of this House, we hope he will be allowed a reasonable Satisfaction for the same, as agreed to by Both Houses in 1735.

Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

A Bill, entituled, An Act to raise a Fund to be applied for the Payment of an Agent and other necessary Uses of this Province: Read the First and Second Time by an especial Order, and Passed, and sent to the Upper House with the following Message :

By the Lower House of Assembly, June 4. 1739.

May it please your Honours,

THE Arguments used in your Message of the 31st of May, by George Plater, Esq; for not passing the Bill to raise an annual Revenue for the better Support of his Lordship's Government and Governor within this Province, serve only to confirm us the more in the Justice of our Proceeding in this Matter, not doubting that if any Thing better could have been said on that Head, your Honours would not have been at a Loss to find it out.

The Conclusion you draw, from our declaring our Intention not to deprive his Lordship of a Support of Government, we beg leave to say will not follow, for that as a Person may Possess, so may he be Deprived of a Thing to which he has no Right; which we take to have been his Lordship's Case, with regard to the Twelve Pence per Hoghead ever since the Year 1733; nor is it from the Repeal of the Law in the Year 1704, by other temporary Laws that we deny his Lordship's Right of levying that Money upon us, but because his Lordship never had any such Right by that Law.

Whatever your Honours may think of raising Money on a People by perpetual Laws, we imagine it a Doctrine would sound harsh in the Ears of our Mother Country, and what we in Justice to ourselves and our Posterity, are resolv'd as much as in our Power to avoid.

We cannot see that the application of the Money to be raised as mentioned in the body of our Bill, can be called new, unless that directed by all the former Acts made for granting the like Support to his Lordship and his Ancestors, can be termed so.

However,