

Your Excellency's kind Declaration of desiring nothing more earnestly than the Happiness and Prosperity of the Province, Your readiness to join your Endeavours with our's for that Purpose, and to oblige us in every Thing consistent with the Duty of your Station, we receive with the utmost Gratitude; And hope you will find us always ready to make suitable Returns for every Obligation you shall be pleased to confer on us, and never so unreasonable as either to Expect or Desire any thing from your Excellency inconsistent with that Duty.

As we flatter ourselves our former Department has by this Time sufficiently convinced our Sovereign, and the Lord Proprietary, of our steady Loyalty and Attachment to his Majesty's Person and Government, Our Regard to the Safety of the Province, and our own Preservation, so the Subject of Arms and Ammunition for Defence of the Province, and a proper Magazine for the Security of them, so earnestly recommended by your Excellency, shall have it's proper share in our Deliberations.

We are very sensible of the Importance of the Trust reposed in us, and being resolved to use our utmost Diligence and Care in the Discharge of it, we shall gladly receive your Excellency's Sentiments by Message or otherwise in any Thing proper for our Consideration, and which may in any manner Contribute to the Welfare of the People we Represent.

A wise and prudent Amendment of our Laws now in being, as well as the Reviving those useful Ones which have of late unhappily ceased, we believe would greatly Promote the Happiness of the People of this Province; And as the being Instrumental to such Happiness, as your Excellency well observes, must give the greatest Pleasure to a rational and virtuous Mind, we shall not doubt your Concurrence in both the One and the Other.

Was brought in Ingrossed; which was signed on Behalf and by Order of the House, by the Honorable Speaker.

Col. *King*, and Mr. *Smith*, Ordered to acquaint his Excellency this House hath prepared an Address to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, the Governor will receive it in the Conference Chamber.

Mr. *Smith*, with Twelve more, Ordered to present the Address.

On Motion, Leave given to bring in the following Bills, *viz.*

A Bill to Revive an Act, entituled, An Act for the Advancement of Justice, and the supplementary Act thereto.

A Bill to Revive and Act, entituled, An Act for the relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in the Prosecutions of suits at Law, and the supplementary Act thereto.