

of all the Titles of all the Laws which were Transcribed, that we may know what Laws were transmitted as being Laws in Force in this Province.

And therefore humbly request your Excellency will be pleased to order such List to be laid before this House.

Which was read and assented to, and signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That Mr. Earle and Capt. Jenifer do acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath prepared an Address, to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that the Governor was pleased to signify he would receive the Address immediately in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That Capt. Stoddert, with Three more, do present the Address.

The House adjourns until Monday Morning at VIII of the Clock.

MONDAY MORNING, *April 19, 1756.*

THE House met according to Adjournment: All the Members appeared as on Saturday, except Mr. Brass, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Gowane, Mr. Benjamin Mackall, Col. Scarborough, and Major Evans. Mr. Thomas Reeder, Mr. Benjamin Handy, and Mr. Bordley, appeared in the House.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker the following Message, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

IN Answer to your Address of the 17th, I must acquaint you, that I have received no perfect List of the Titles of all the Laws, which were Transcribed and Transmitted Home, by Order of his Majesty in Council; however, I can assure you, that all possible Care was taken in Revising them, that none might be Transmitted but such as were and remained in Force: But if any Error should possibly have happened, it will be easily corrected, by our making a Provision for, and Ordering, a general Revisal of our Acts of Assembly, which, I believe, is by every Body thought highly expedient and necessary, and which, I therefore, recommend to your Consideration. In the mean Time, if you please, and will undertake to defray the Expence thereof, I will write Home for a compleat List of those, that, in Obedience to his Majesty's Order, I got Transcribed and Transmitted; or if that will afford you any Satisfaction, I will shew any Members of your House what Lists, Minutes, or Papers, relating to the Laws, I have in my Hands.

HOR^o. SHARPE."

The House adjourns till II of the Clock Afternoon.

P. M. Session. The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

On reading his Excellency's Message of this Day; on Motion, *Ordered,* That the Committee of Laws do prepare and bring in an Address, in Answer thereto.

His Excellency communicated to Mr. Speaker the following Message, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

THE inclosed Letter and Copy of a French Officer's Instructions, who was lately killed in Virginia, will inform you what a deplorable Situation the back Inhabitants of these Provinces are in, and what daring Attempts we may reasonably expect the Enemy will be encouraged to make on us, if Measures are not speedily taken to prevent and oppose them.

I must also beg Leave to remind you of the unhappy Condition of many of the late Inhabitants of North Carolina, whose humble Petition you have had some Time before you, and at the same Time that I recommend to your Consideration a Copy of an Act of Assembly that has been made in Pennsylvania for the Relief of as many of those People as were imported into that Province, I would advise you to prepare a Bill for preventing or deterring those that were sent hither from leaving the Counties into which they have been, or may be, distributed, and for punishing such of them as may presume to travel to, or be discovered near, our Western Frontiers.

HOR^o. SHARPE."

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Col. Hartwood, from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill entituled, *An Act for granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Service, &c.* indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly,

April 19, 1756. Read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

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

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