

representatives of the Province of *Massachusetts-Bay*, and of a Committee of the said House, which were the Foundation of the Resolve referred to in our Message.

Signed per Order,

M. MACNEEMARA, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. *Hanson* and Mr. *Plater*.

Mr. *James Smith*, a Delegate returned for *Frederick County*, appeared in the House.

ORDERED, That Capt: *Chapline*, and Mr. *Fielder Gantt*, do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House, to see him Qualified. They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, the Gentleman was Qualified in the usual Manner, by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, by subscribing the Oath of Abjuration, by repeating and signing the Test.

The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

Mr. *John Goldsborough*, from the Committee appointed, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Ingrossed Instructions, viz.

INSTRUCTIONS from the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly of the Province of *Maryland*, to *William Murdock*, *Edward Tilghman*, and *Thomas Ringgold*, Esquires, a Committee appointed to join the several Committees, from the several Colonies in *America*, at *New-York*.

GENTLEMEN,

YOU are to repair immediately to the City of *New-York*, in the Province of *New-York*, and there join with the Committees from the Houses of Representatives of the other Colonies, in a general and united, dutiful, loyal, and humble Representation to his Majesty, and the *British* Parliament, of the Circumstances and Condition of the *British* Colonies and Plantations, and to pray Relief from the Burthens and Restraints lately laid on their Trade and Commerce, and especially from the Taxes imposed by an Act of the last Session of Parliament, granting and applying certain Stamp Duties, and other Duties, in the *British* Colonies and Plantations in *America*, whereby they are deprived, in some Instances, of that invaluable Privilege of *Englishmen*, and *British* Subjects, Trials by Juries. That you take Care that such Representation shall, humbly and decently, but expressly, contain an Assertion of the Rights of the Colonists, to be exempt from all and every Taxations and Impositions upon their Persons and Properties, to which they do not consent in a Legislative Way, either by themselves or their Representatives, by them freely chosen and appointed.

Which were Read, Approved, and Signed by the Honourable Speaker.

John Ridout, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Message, viz.

By the UPPER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY, September 26, 1765.

GENTLEMEN,

WE approve of the Measure in sending Commissioners from this Province, to meet such as have been appointed in the other Colonies, in order to consult together on the present Circumstances of the Colonies, and the Difficulties to which they are, and must be reduced, by the Operation of the late Acts of Parliament, for laying Duties and Taxes on the Colonies, and to consider of a general and united, dutiful, loyal, and humble Representation of their Condition, to his Majesty and the Parliament, and to implore Relief; and therefore shall cheerfully concur in an Ordinance for the Payment of Five Hundred Pounds Current Money, by the Treasurer of the Western Shore, into the Hands of the Gentlemen mentioned in your first Message; but we cannot concur, even in a Vote, and much less in an Ordinance of unlimited Credit, and expect that Care will be taken in framing an Ordinance for the Payment and Application of the above Sum of Money, that the Commissioners be directed to lay a particular Account of their Disbursements thereof, together with the Proceedings they shall join in with the Commissioners of the other Colonies, before the General Assembly of this Province, as soon as conveniently may be.

Should an Expence be incurred, in the Execution of the above Measure, exceeding the Five Hundred Pounds, we presume, upon its Propriety appearing, a future Provision may be made.

Signed per Order,

UPTON SCOTT, Cl. Up. Ho.

On Motion, the Question was put, That the following Resolve, entered on the Journal, viz. [RESOLVED, That this House will not, at this Meeting, proceed to any other Business, other than such as may be dependant on, or relative to, the subject Matter of the said two Letters] be Expunged. RESOLVED in the Negative.

For the NEGATIVE.

Messieurs	{	Wolfenholme,	Johnson,	Gibson,	Baker,	J. Hollyday,
		Sothoron,	Mackall,	H. Hollyday,	Hyland,	Wright,
		Ringgold,	E. Gantt,	R. Goldsborough,	Murdock,	Allen,
		Lloyd,	Grahame,	Lecompte,	Beall,	Chaille,
		Buchanan,	Parran,	Cockey Deye,	Jacobs,	Selby,
		Worthington,	Hanson,	Lee,	Tyler,	Ward.
		Hammond,	Dent,	J. Hall,	Chase,	
		H. Hall,	Edmondson,	Earle,	Tilghman,	