

der what has been the Conduct of both Houses upon this Head. There has been scarce a Session, since the Commencement of the War, that the Lower House has not sent up a Bill to the Upper House, for the Support of an Agent in *London*, with a View of laying the Grievances of the People before His Majesty, and bringing all their Disputes with the Government to a final Determination; but this Bill, reasonable as it is, and most indispensibly necessary to the public Peace and Welfare of the Colony, has never been so fortunate as to meet with the Concurrence of the Upper House; the very last Session having produced a fresh Instance of their determined Resolution to keep from the People the only proper Means of carrying their Complaints before His Majesty, and producing a definitive Accommodation of all the Disputes, which have so long distracted our public Consultations, and kept the Province in a continual State of Languor, Animosity and Disunion. If then the Misunderstanding between the two Houses is, in the Opinion of every Man of common Observation, irreconcilable among themselves, and has been so for many Years past; if the Lower House have made use of every Opportunity, since the Commencement of the War, of pushing for the only Expedient for the Establishment of Harmony between the several Branches of the Legislature, by submitting their Disputes to His Majesty's Decision, and if this Measure has always been defeated by the Upper House, I think, without entering into any formal Discussion of the Merits of the Bill, it
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