

L. H. J.
Lib. 41 The House being met it's Ordered by M^r Speaker, That M^r Wornell Hunt, & M^r Robert Ungle attend the Hoⁿble Council and acquaint them that the House is met according to Prorogation and are ready to attend their Honours Commands.

They return and say they delivered their Message

The Hoⁿble Col^o Greenberry and Col^o Thomas Addison from the Hoⁿble Council enter the House and acquaint M^r Speaker that the Hoⁿble President commands him and the whole House to attend him at the Council Chamber.

Accordingly the House adjourned to the Council Chamber where the Hoⁿble President was pleased to make the following Speech Viz.

M^r Speaker and you Gentlemen of the House of Delegates

I have thought it expedient with the Advice of her Majesty's Hoⁿble Council to convene you now it being the usual Time to consider of and assess the publick Charge of the Province, also to communicate to you the Right Hoⁿble the Lords of Trade and Plantations Reasons for moving her Majesty for her Disallowance of the several Acts past in the Year 1709. And that they have upon that Occasion kindly signified if any of those Laws be absolutely necessary for the good Government and Welfare of this Province they may be reenacted. I doubt not but you will believe some of them are of
p. 292 Consequence and am convinced of your good Inclinations to serve your Country.

Gentl. Since you are that I am instructed to forbear passing any Bill but what are immediately necessary for the Peace and Welfare of the Province without her Majesty's particular Order for that Purpose I am induced to believe you will prudently forbear any fruitless Essay of that kind whereby you may prolong this Session and add to the Charge of the Province. I can truly say I have not only been careful of placing as little Charges on the Country as I could, or as the Emergency of Affairs has obliged, but have used my Endeavours to retrench them as much as I might. Therefore have great Reason to expect that you Gentlemen will use your utmost Efforts to dispatch the necessary Business of this Session in a few Days by which you will most lively demonstrate to your several Electors the true Regard you have of their Interest in putting them to as little Charge as may be especially now at a Time when our unhappy Circumstances are not in a Condition to bear any extraordinary Expence

Upon which M^r Speaker and Members took their Leave