

U. H. J. jects of the Kingdom of Ireland, w^{ch} we have Dissented, and Except the Act Ascertainig the Gage & Tare off Tobacco hogsheads &c. whereby our own revenue & the Support of our Governm^t are Provided for, which still lies before us for our further Consideration.

p. 3 As we Cannot Enough comēd the Loyalty & Zeal you have shewn for his Majesty & the Succession in the Illustrious house of Hannover so none of those Laws to which we have Assented met with a more ready Confirmacon of them than that, which makes it penall for men to Act in Employments without takeing the Oaths to our Dread Sovereign King George Whereby Protestants & Papists may Clearly Perceive that your Lord & Propry is not as has been Maliciously suggested by some A Papist in Masquerade but a true Protestant of the Church of England in which faith he is Resolved to live & Die

Gent. We have at heart the Welfare & Prosperity of the people of this Province equall to that of our own and are determinēd never to do anything to separate that Union which may tend so much to the comon good. An Early Instance hereof we manifested when we Directed Capt Hart to lay before you on what Condicons we were willing to give up our Quitt Rents & Alienes fines, a Condesention which nothing but the good & relief of the poorer & more numerous part of our People coud have prevailed with us to have Consented to And having done so much on our part for the ease & benefitt of the people, We are Surprized to find that you shou'd rather Choose to give the mony which is appropriated to the support of our Government to the only use of our Deputy for the time p. 4 being rather than our own which with our Honour we never Can Consent to. We have therefore Instructed our Leiv^{ts} Gov once more to lay before you on what Conditions we are willing to part with our Quit rents and Alienation fines And doubt not but that the Planter by the ease he will find in payment of his Rent And the Trader by the advantageous Provisoe of Reshipping free their Tobaccoes upon any loss that shall happen to them at Sea in their voyage homewards will find their great Benefitt thereby And that all feuds & Animosities among our People will for the future be laid aside And the Province continue to Increase & flourish under the family of Baltemore

And further his Excellency was pleased to bespeak them as foll.

Gentlemen of the Upper and }
 Lower Houses of Assembly } The Right honble the Lord
 Propry & his Lordship's noble Guardian the Right honble the