

Consists as we Understand it of no Other Matter than first, L. H. J. the same pretend<sup>d</sup> reasons you gave us in your former Messages, Secondly of Rhetoricall florid Expressions to grace those pretended reasons and thirdly of reproaching us with your own mistaken manner of treating us. The second and third of these your and our Journalls, which you so Often Appeal to be the Evidence; and Let any Impartiall reader Judge We are resolved not to be lead from our Country's Business by any thing you shall Offer to divert us, nor take farther notice of the manner wherein you are pleas'd to dress your reasonings, in your Last Essay, save that we think your former Messages exprest your Intent with Elegance and Conciseness and this Late one with Less of those and much more prolixity and Circumlocution

We therefore Again (in your Method) Repeat our Conclusion that the Acts you Insist on to Support your Claims are and Long since were all repealed That the Custom you Insist on has no foundation for the reasons we have Already Shewn in our former Messages, and because the Journalls you last Quote in your favour were in 1696 & 1697 when the Acts <sup>p. 109</sup> in being that settl'd the revenue settled the whole revenue for the Support of Government one whereof in the Russet Coverd Book of Laws fo: 117 is Entituled an Act for Settlement of an Annuall Revenue on their Majestys Governour of this province for the time being Anno 1692 Another Act of the same purport and title Anno 1699 in the Large Vellum Law Book fo: 30; by these Acts there was no room left for the Councill but the whole Applied to the Gov<sup>rs</sup> Support This made it reasonable to Allow them wages out of the publick there being no other provision for them; but by the Act for Settling the Revenue now in force, there is room left and plain provision made for them, if his [Lpp] pleases to Apply it so; if not we can lay no restraint on him and your Honours may more properly Apply to him on this Occasion than we We therefore again tell your Honours we are Convinced in our Consciences you have neither Law nor reasonable Custom to Support your Claims, and that we will not Act Contrary to this Conviction, on any Consideration whatever, let the Consequence be what it will.

Signd p Ord<sup>r</sup> M Jenifer Cl. Lo. Ho.

Which was sent to the Upper House by M<sup>r</sup> Tyler and five Others.

They return and say they Delivered it.

On a motion being made, it is Resolved that his Hon<sup>r</sup> the Governour be Addressed to put an End to this Sessions