

May it please Your Excellency

L. H. J.

We Return you Thanks for calling Us together as Usual for the dispatch of Business and do Assure You We are met with a hearty Resolution to Promote the Publick Goal and to avoid all unnecessary disputes whatsoever p. 260

Your Excellencys kind declaration of desiring nothing more earnestly than the Happiness and Prosperity of the Province Your Readiness to Join Your Endeavours with Ours for that Purpose and to Oblige Us in every thing Consistent with the Duty of Your Station We receive with the utmost Gratitude and hope you will find us always Ready to make suitable Returns for every Obligation you shall be Pleased to Confer on us and never so unreasonable as either to expect or desire anything from Your Excellency inconsistent with that Duty.

As We flatter Ourselves Our former Department has by this time sufficiently convinced Our Sovereign and the Lord Proprietary of Our Steady Loyalty and Attachment to his Majesty's Person and Government Our Regard to the Safety of the Province and our own Preservation so the Subject of Arms and Ammunition for Defence of the Province and a proper Magazine for the Security of them so earnestly recommended by your Excellency shall have its proper share in our Deliberations

We are sensible of the Importance of the Trust reposed in Us and being resolved to Use Our utmost diligence and Care in the discharge of it, We shall gladly receive Your Excellencys' Sentiments by Message or otherwise in any thing proper for our Consideration and which may in any manner Contribute to the Welfare of the People We represent

A Wise and Prudent Amendment of Our Laws now in being as well as the Reviving those useful Ones which have of late unhappily ceased We believe would Greatly promote the Happiness of the People of this Province and as the being Instrumental to such Happiness as Your Excellency well Observes must give the Greatest Pleasure to a rational and Virtuous Mind We shall not doubt your Concurrence in both the one and the other

Was brought in Ingrossed which was Signed by Order and on Behalf of the House by the Honourable Speaker

Col^o King and M^r Smith Ordered to acquaint his Excellency this House hath prepared An Address to him and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it, They return and acquaint M^r Speaker the Governor will receive it in the Conference Chamber

M^r Smith with twelve more Ordered to present the Address

On Motion Leave Given to bring in the following Bills viz.

A Bill to revive An Act entituled An Act for the Advancement of Justice and the Supplementary Act thereto