

U. H. J. Lieu of three hundred pounds Sterling to be taken out of their hands  
 Liber No. 34 and that one eight part of the Money arising on Each fund be annu-  
 May 30 ally paid to them for that Purpose

p. 503 Thereupon the Conferees of the Upper house withdrew to make Report to their house.

The Conferees met again and the Conferees of the Upper house delivered to the Conferees of the Lower House reasons in writing as follow Viz.<sup>t</sup> By your objections to the second Amendment we take it for Granted you have agreed to the first, and in Answer to the Objections We Say that a Mode is ascertained for the Recovery of the Tax by a Prosecution at Law and although nothing is particularly given by the said Amendment for the encouragement of Informers yet as it is made an Act of duty in the Several Officers mentioned therein to Carry the Act into Execution We think that is Sufficient and We had not the least Intention to draw his Lordships Claim to the Fines and forfeitures into Question, on which Point We are fully Satisfied—To the objection against the fourth Amendment We Say We do not apprehend where Room is left for Evading the Tax and desire you would point it out to us—In answer to your objection to the Sixth Amendment We say that in our Judgment the Naval Officers must be intituled to the same Commission as upon other duties, unless Reasons can be assign'd to the Contrary, as to your last Objection We Say that if there be any defect in the Amendment proposed we are willing to agree to any Alteration therein as shall be found necessary and that the Bill may be Amended accordingly

Upon which the Conferees of the Lower house desired to withdraw to take the Advice of their house

Saturday Morning May the 25.<sup>th</sup> the Conferees of both houses met in the Conference Chamber and the Conferees of the Lower house tendered to the Conferees of the Upper house a verbal Message from their House which the Conferees of the Upper house Refused to Accept unless they would permit the Conferees of the Upper house to Reduce the same to Writing for the help of their Memory and to prevent Mistakes, which the Lower house would not agree to and thereupon withdrew—Soon after the Conferees of both houses met again and the Conferees of the Lower house delivered the following Instructions in writing viz.<sup>t</sup> We are directed by the Lower house of assembly to acquaint your honours that they/for the Reasons Assigned Yesterday/will not depart from their Resolution, upon the Second Amendment proposed by the Upper house to the Bill for his Majestys Service, and in order that an End be put to the Conference desire to know the final Resolution of the Upper house whether they will Agree to that part of the Bill as it was Sent up from the Lower house to which if the upper house doth Concede We are at large to proceed to the Other Amendments—The Conferees of the Upper