

Justices of the several County Courts, to make Provision for the late Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia, and for regulating their conduct. And an ingrossed Bill entituled, An Act for the Assessment and Payment of the Public Charges of this Province; which were severally read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bills thereof, by M.^r John Handy and M.^r John Reeder.

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His Excellency the Governor communicated to M.^r Speaker the following Message, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

When I laid before you a Copy of the Ordinance, made and agreed to by the Governor, Council, and Representatives, of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay, together with his Excellency General Shirley's Letter, desiring that a Person might be impowered also, by this Government, to indent for and receive the Arms and Ammunition that his Majesty has been most graciously pleased to order for our Use, I was in Hopes that you would have framed a short Bill for that Purpose; and, lest the Officer that his Majesty has appointed to distribute the Arms, should, upon Enquiry, find, that a Resolve of your House is not equivalent to an Act of the Legislature, and thereupon refuse to deliver them, I must recommend it to you to prepare such a Bill, and thereby authorize the Treasurers to defray the Expence of conveying the Ammunition and Arms hither.

the 22^d May 1756

Hor.^o Sharpe.

The following Message, viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly, 22^d May, 1756.

May it please your Honours,

We desire your Honours Concurrence to the Ordinance herewith sent, impowering his Excellency to appoint a Person to receive and indent for the Proportion of Arms and Ammunition his Majesty has been pleased to order for our Use; and for impowering the Treasurers to defray the Expence of bringing the same into this Province.

Signed p Order, M. Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

And the following Ordinance, viz.^t

Whereas his Majesty has been graciously pleased to order Ten Thousand Stands of Arms, and a proportionable Quantity of Ammunition, to be employed for the Service of his Colonies, as from Time to Time there shall be Occasion; and it is required that each Colony, to which any of those Arms shall be delivered, give Security to return them to the Officer his Majesty has been pleased to appoint, except in Case of their being lost in Battle, or taken or destroyed by the Enemy: And it being necessary that some Person should be appointed to receive the Proportion of said Arms and Ammunition, which may be allotted for this Government, It is Ordained by his Excellency the Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of