

L.H.J. and be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that nothing
 Liber No. 48 herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to take away
 May 22 or prejudice any Right or Claim which the People of this Prov-
 p. 316 ince have or Ought to have to any Moneys heretofore or now levied
 by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province
 under Colour as they apprehend of an Act of Assembly made in
 the Year Seventeen hundred and four Entituled An Act for the
 Settlement of an Annual Revenue upon her Majesty's Governor
 within this Province.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that all Laws
 heretofore made regulating or in any Manner relating to the Militia
 of this Province and every Matter Article or Clause in any Such
 Laws contained and all Military Commissions heretofore Granted
 under any former Law be and are hereby Utterly repealed and made
 Void.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that this Act and
 all the Matters and Articles herein Contained shall continue in Force
 untill the Tenth February which Shall be in the Year of our Lord
 one Thousand Seven hundred and Fifty Seven and no Longer.

Richard Lee and William Goldsborough, Esquires, from the
 Upper House, acquaint M.^r Speaker, That the Governor requires
 the Members of the Lower House to attend him immediately in the
 Upper House.

M.^r Speaker left the Chair, and, with the other Members of the
 Lower House, went to the Upper House, and there presented to his
 Excellency the several Ingrossed Bills, viz.^t

[The list of bills is printed in the Upper House Journal, pages
 296-7.]

p. 317 All which his Excellency passed into Laws in the usual Manner;
 and made the following Speech:

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

As you seemed to be persuaded at the Opening of this Session,
 that a well-armed and well-regulated Militia, would, at this Season,
 be our best Security, and were pleased to tell me, that a proper Law
 for that Purpose should be one great Object of your Deliberations,
 I confess I was a little surprized at your sending me such a Mes-
 sage as you did this Morning, before you have performed what you
 gave me such Room to hope and expect; however, as you have inti-
 mated, that by putting an End to this Session, I shall do a Thing
 not less agreeable to your Wishes, than I did in convening you, I
 will not press you to take that Affair into Consideration till your
 next Meeting, but shall content myself at present with recommend-
 ing it particularly to those Gentlemen of each House, that are Com-
 manders and Officers, to have the Militia in their respective Counties,
 duly Mustered and Exercised, agreeable to our present Laws, which