

U. H. J. Opinion you seem to be possessed with, that Pertinacity would at
 Liber No. 35 length prevail against Right, Reproach extort Assent, and that it
 May 4 would be more eligible to establish Error and the very inconvenient
 Consequences of it in this Instance by an obstinate Adherence, than
 to acknowledge it by a candid & ingenious Retraction

p. 329 The Ecordium of your last Message seems calculated to cast the
 Blame of mispending so much Time and public Mony in tedious and
 fruitless Sessions upon us, but pray consider what little Success will
 probably attend such an Attempt if now you have our Objections you
 think it incumbent upon you at all Events to disregard them? of
 what Use in the Conduct of public Business can an explicit Com-
 munication of our Sentiments be when after it is made your whole
 Study and Views are to elude the Force of them by fallacious Reason-
 ing and caption Animadversions indulge an Humour of Invective and
 insult with Rudeness when you can't refute or convince by Argument.

Will you say that if we had particularly enumerated our Reasons
 for rejecting your first or second Bill you would have fallen upon
 some other Method of granting Mony, if not, what Obstruction of
 his Majesty's Service has arisen from our omitting to send you our
 Objections to your Bill before the Time we did, or what good End
 would have been answered, what Part of the Expence you have
 imposed upon your Constituents lessened by our taking that Step?
 if you'll say that you would evince your Sincerity by doing it now.
 you have now our Objections against which as you have nothing but
 the weakest Cavils to advance we press you to do it by the Duty you
 owe to your King and Country, we would persuade you to do it:
 it will furnish you with a better Pretence for your Insinuations than
 you have at present

We said in our former Message "that there were some late
 Resolves of " the Lower House that we had no Right but to pass or
 reject Mony Bills."

Your Answer to this is that We do not recollect any Resolves of
 this House in the Words you mention, but whatever they may be
 you must know that they were "made not to extend but to confirm
 our own Rights and Priviledges &c." perhaps there may be some very
 nice Distinction between the Lower House and this Lower House,
 and what may have been done in a former Session by the same
 Members is not to be imputed to them in this, but you have not
 denied, nor can you deny the Fact mentioned in our Message that
 the Lower House had lately resolved "we had no Right but to pass
 or reject Mony Bills."

You are pleased to inform us of the Difference between Resolves
 of the Lower House to confirm and extend the Priviledges you claim.
 We are obliged to confess tho' you say we must know it, that we
 don't understand it. We can't easily conceive how your Resolves
 penned by yourselves without any expressed or implied Concurrence