Liber No. 52 Nov. 27

L. H. J. was read the second Time and on the Question put the said Petition was rejected

On Reading the second Time the Report made by the Committee appointed to examine the Allegations and Facts contained in the petition of Ann Ogle Benjamin Tasker and John Hammond

And the petition being again read On Consideration thereof the same is granted and Leave given to bring in a Bill according to prayer

Mess. rs Murdock Tilghman and Ringgold deliver to Mr Speaker their Accounts of Expences to New York and the Business by them transacted there as a Committee appointed by this House to meet Committees from the other Colonys in North America And also a Copy of the Letter sent by them to Charles Garth Esq.r with the Address to his Majesty and the Memorial and Petition to the Lords and Commons in the British Parliament

The House taking into Consideration the said Account and Letter and all other the Proceedings of the said Committee do unanimously approve of the same and do resolve that the Thanks of this House be delivered by Mr Speaker to the said W. Murdock Edward Tilghman and Thomas Ringgold Esq. 18 in their places for their Conduct in the Execution of the Trust reposed in them by this House at the late Congress at New York

In pursuance thereof M. Speaker delivered the Thanks of the House in the following Manner

M. Murdock Col. Tilghman and M. Ringgold Gentlemen

The House have perused and fully considered the whole Proceedings of the Congress lately held at New York which you have laid before them and as a Testimony that they highly approve of the Manner in which you have executed the Great Trust reposed in you in every Respect they have unanimously resolved that the Thanks of this House should be given you And it is with great pleasure I now do it as I am sensible that Conduct that has given such Satisfaction to the Members of this House will merit the Approbation of all the Well Wishers of this Country when the whole Affair shall at a proper Season be communicated to them

To which the Gentlemen made the following Answer M^r Speaker

Our Conduct in the Execution of the Trust reposed in us having met the unanimous Approbation of this Honourable House which we have had the Pleasure of receiving from you Sir Nothing is wanting to compleat our Wishes upon this Interesting Occasion but that we may be found to have been in any Degree Instrumental in promoting the true Interests of Great Britain and her Colonies in North America