

L. H. J.
Liber No. 54
Nov. 21

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That the Upper House, four Members of which hold the Secretary's, Commissary General's and Land Office, and the fees of which Offices were attempted to be regulated by the first mentioned Bill, have, in the Intercourse between the two Houses, on the Subject of that Bill, and by their ultimate Rejection thereof, manifested an unreasonable Attachment to the Emoluments of Office, and by their Rejection of the said *other* Bills that House hath evinced an unjustifiable Design to force this Branch of the Legislature by *the feelings of the People*, into a Regulation of Fees more correspondent to those *Schemes of Wealth & Power* which it is much to be apprehended are formed by *some* of the *great Officers* of this Government, and which if carried into Execution will tend to the Oppression of the People, and, in the End, greatly endanger their Liberties

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That the Charge of fees (estimated at *above the annual Amount* of 60,000^{lb} Tobacco) by the Commissary General, *upon Administrations granted by his Deputies*, and for *which they are paid*, is an *Abuse* of the old Regulation of fees, *illegal and oppressive*

Resolved, unanimously, That the *additional Charge*, by the Commissary General, of *Order* to almost every Service done in his Office (estimated at *above the annual Amount* of 40,000^{lbs} of Tobacco) when by the same Regulation *it was only allowed in Testamentary Causes* is an *Abuse*, of that Regulation, *illegal and oppressive*

Resolved, unanimously, That the Charge by the Secretary and County Clerks of this Province, *for recording of Papers*, in Actions discontinued, abated, struck off, or agreed, when they are not, nor need be recorded, is an *Abuse* of the same Regulation *illegal and oppressive*

Resolved, unanimously, That the Charge by the Secretary, *for making up Issues* in the Provincial Court *when the same* is done by the Attornies; *for issuing a Venire facias* for Jurors, when *none* is issued, *for Copy of Judgment*, on issuing Executions, or for *Search and Copy of Judgment*, on issuing Scire facias, is an *Abuse* of the same Regulation, *illegal and oppressive*

Resolved, unanimously, That the Charge of 300^{lbs} of Tob.^o by Surveyors, *for laying down adjacent Tracts*, merely to correct the Errors of an original Survey, is an *Abuse* of that Regulation, *illegal and oppressive*.

Resolved, unanimously, That the Charge of 300^{lbs} of Tobacco by Surveyors *as for a Resurvey for surveying or laying down each Tract* of Land on a *Warrant of Survey*, from the Provincial Court; and of 300^{lbs} of Tobacco for any Tract of Land *laid down only for Illustration*, is an *Abuse* of that Regulation, *illegal and oppressive*.

Resolved, unanimously, That the Charge by the Examiner General,