

of such abuses from Great Brittain being formerly 7 years to L. H. J. 2 years will be sufficient to Satisfie those persons that are alarmed at that part of the said Law and th<sup>t</sup> that will be an Encouragment to persons to be bound for those who have or shall not give roome to be suspected of such abuses as by the said Law is designed to be prevented; and as to the last paragraph Intimateing that there is nothing in the law for raiseing the Severall Impositions on To<sup>bo</sup> giveing power to the Masters of Vessells and ships who before Departure are obliged to pay the said duties to Collect & receive the same from the Shippers & owners

This house is of opinion that the Consignee or Consignees of such Tobacco is by the Bills of loading usually given to pay the same to the Master on Takeing up the To<sup>bo</sup> in great Brittain and has been charged by Such consignees these many years past as an Article of expence in the Sale of such Tob<sup>o</sup> and always allowed off and payed by the Consignee & without any Clause in the Law, the master may retain the Shipped Tob<sup>o</sup> till the duty be payed him

Signed p order Tho: Macnemara Cl: Lo: Ho:

Which message was sent to the Upper house with the said Bill by M<sup>r</sup> Robbins, M<sup>r</sup> Pollard M<sup>r</sup> Alexander Warfield and M<sup>r</sup> Brannock.

They return and say they delivered it.

In answer to the report from the Comittee appointed to View the severall offices, & the Upp<sup>r</sup> Houses Endorsm<sup>t</sup> The following Message was prepared (Viz)

By the Lower house of Assembly

Aug<sup>t</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1716

May it please y<sup>r</sup> Hon<sup>rs</sup>

The Report of the Comittee appointed by both houses to View and Inspect in what condition the severall offices in the Stadt house are in, for the Safe keeping the severall records belonging to the same & your Endorsm<sup>t</sup> thereon of this day is approved of, and there is an order entred on the Journall of this house Impowering the Com<sup>rs</sup> appointed for seeing the records repaired to order the severall offices to be fitted up and the severall repairs made as the said report mentions.

Signed p order Tho: Macnemara Cl: Lo: Ho:

Sent to the Upper house by M<sup>r</sup> Turbutt & M<sup>r</sup> Taylor.

They return and say they delivered it.

In answer to the Endorsm<sup>t</sup> of the Upper house on the Bill