

Gentlemen,

HIS Lordship's Answer is so full, that there remains nothing for me to say; yet I cannot but think ourselves happy, in coming to a right Understanding in relation to the Laws, in following the Practice of them, as they have been used among us.

As to his Lordship's Revenue, as it now stands, I may venture to affirm, he gives up half his Property: For the Quit-Rents, and Alienation-Fines (were they to be levied in Sterling Money, according to the Tenor of the Grant) would amount to a very great Sum; and the only Difficulty that can remain with his Lordship, not to put that Method in Execution, is, the tender Regard he has for his Tenants, who must labour under vast Difficulties to comply with it: It is therefore, upon this Consideration, that I have his Lordship's Command, to offer to the Country, the Renewing the Revenue-Bill, as it now stands, for Three Years longer; which is an Instance, his Lordship prefers the Interest of the Country to his own, and which I do not doubt you are sensible of.

Charles Calvert.

Benjamin Tasker, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly, July the 25th 1726.

Gentlemen,

HIS Lordship having given such ample and moving Reasons to your House, tending to the Discharge of our Demands against the Publick, as his Lordship's Council of State after the usual Manner, there remains nothing for us to say further to you on this Head, save the Continuance of our just Claims against you for the Arrears due to us, which we hope your Prudence will direct you to Discharge.

Sign'd per Order, G. P. Cl. Up. Ho.

In Answer thereto, the following Message is sent to the Upper House by Capt. Hooper, and Capt. Harrison, viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly, July 25th 1726.

May it please your Honours,

THE Reasons the Lord Proprietor has given us for making you an Allowance by a Poll-Tax, as a Council of State, are not sufficient to induce us to recede from our former Resolutions; We therefore desire that you'll insist no longer upon our doing it.

Sign'd per Order, M. J. Cl. Lo. Ho.

They return, and say they delivered it.

