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To his excellency William Tryon Esq; his Majesty's captain general, governor and commander in chief in and over the province of North Carolina.

The humble Address of his Majesty's council of the said province.

May it please your excellency,

**W**E, his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the members of his council, beg leave to return your excellency our thanks for your speech at the opening of this session.

With gratitude we acknowledge his Majesty's paternal indulgence, in leaving the regulation of Indian affairs to the colonies.

The regard your excellency has been pleased to assure us will be shewn to the representations of the general assembly respecting an emission of paper currency, gives us hopes that an act of parliament may be obtained for that purpose, to relieve the inhabitants of this province, from the distresses they labour under for want of money.

We flatter ourselves, an act will be passed this session for appointing an agent in England; the necessity of such an appointment is so obvious, that we believe no difficulty can arise upon that subject.

The encouragement given by act of parliament for the culture of raw silk in America, we hope will induce the inhabitants of this province to enter with spirit upon such a cultivation, profitable to themselves and advantageous to Great Britain.

The assurances your excellency has been pleased to give us of the disposition of his Majesty's ministers towards the American colonies, and of their intention to propose to parliament the repeal of the acts laying duties on glass, paper and colours, are truly pleasing, and will be effectual in healing the unhappy division and jealousies that have been destructive to the trade of Great Britain and America, and restore that affection and confidence upon which the happiness of both so greatly depend.

We are sensibly affected with the calamities arising to this province from the extreme violence of the late storm; the losses of the inhabitants of this town in particular, are truly deplorable; we sympathize with them in their misfortunes, and shall readily concur in such measures as may be most effectual to prevent the like devastations for the future.

This house, ever actuated to the good of their country, and attached by an inviolable loyalty to his majesty, will use their utmost influence to preserve that harmony which subsists between every branch of the legislature; and with the temper and moderation strongly recommended by your excellency, co-operate with the assembly in the several weighty matters you have been pleased to mention, and such other important affairs as may arise during this session, and thereby continue the happiness derived to this province under your excellency's wise and benign administration.

JAMES HASEL President.

No 3 To which ADDRESS his excellency was pleased to return the following ANSWER.

Gentlemen of his Majesty's Council,  
**Y**OUR affectionate sentiments of loyalty to his Majesty, and your zeal for his interest, the welfare of this province, have been repeatedly testified in your public conduct, by promoting the harmony of his Majesty's government, and the felicity of its inhabitants.  
I esteem myself highly honoured by your favourable opinion of my administration; the success of which I place entirely to the wisdom of your councils, and the support I have hitherto experienced from both houses of assembly; for no honour, no consideration is mine, but as it is reflected on me, through the aid and assistance of those branches of the legislature.

WILL. TRYON.

No 4 To his Excellency William Tryon Esq; Captain General, Governor, and commander in chief in and over his Majesty's province of North Carolina.

The Address of the assembly of the said province.

Sir,

**W**E, his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the members of the assembly of the province of North Carolina, return your excellency our sincere thanks for your speech at the opening of this session, and beg leave to congratulate your excellency, on your happy return from Virginia to your government.

The information your excellency has given us, that no petition to his majesty from the colonies praying an emission of paper currency as a legal tender, can meet with success, gives us the utmost concern, as we flattered ourselves, that on the unanimous representation of the late assembly, with your excellency's interest at home, which you were pleased so kindly to offer, and which we doubt not, has been most strenuously exerted in favour of the province, we should have obtained the relief so necessary to the distressed situation and circumstances of this country.

We are truly sensible of the necessity of having an agent in England, duly authorized to act in every case, in which the interest of this colony may be concerned. This house therefore, will proceed to the appointment of an Agent, in which we hope to have the concurrence of the other branches of the legislature; and will make the necessary provision for supporting such an establishment.

The encouragement given by act of parliament to the culture of raw silk in America, is pleasing and agreeable to us; and we assure your excellency, that it shall meet with such further encouragement (consistent with the true interest of this country) as so interesting an object may require.

The making provision of powder and lead for his Majesty's service and the defence of this government, at this time, when we are enjoying the blessings of peace, permit us sir, to say, we humbly apprehend, is by no means necessary, as every clog or tax whatsoever upon our trade must of necessity be a discouragement to the same, and of course have such a tendency as to be prejudicial rather than advantageous to the country.

The state of our public funds at no time since the settlement of the colony, has required a more strict examination than at present; and we agree with your excellency that a settlement of the public accounts should be forthwith obtained, so as a general state of them may be made known to the country; and shall be extremely obliged to your excellency for any observations or regulations in the manner of keeping the public accounts that you shall be pleased to lay before us, which may tend to render the same free from that obscurity they have hitherto been in.

We shall ever esteem it our indispensable duty to enquire into, and see how far the laws for the emission of paper currency have had their effect, and in whose hands the funds raised to sink those emissions remain.

The intelligence your excellency has received from home, and which you are pleased to communicate to us regarding the intention of his Majesty's present ministers having no design to propose to parliament to lay any further taxes on America for the purpose of raising a revenue, and their proposing to take off the duties upon glass, paper, and colours, is very grateful to us, and will be much more so, when we find their designs are carried into execution, even upon the consideration of such duties having been ~~had contrary to the~~ principles of commerce; and we rejoice that we are once so happy as to have the sentiments of the ministry, in that particular, coincide with our own.

We sympathize with the unfortunate sufferers in the late storm in general, and with the inhabitants of Newbern in particular: But the calamities, losses, and misfortunes, occasioned thereby, being general, we cannot, consistent with the duty we owe our constituents, think of granting them assistance, in preference to any other part of the province, least, by so doing, we should shew a partiality we would ever endeavour to avoid.

No 5 To which ADDRESS his excellency was pleased to return the following ANSWER.

Mr. speaker, and gentlemen of the house of assembly,

**I** Thank you for your congratulations on my return from Virginia to this country. It would have afforded me much satisfaction if the supply of ammunition for the protection of the country, and the assistance for the town of Newbern, which I recommended to you in my speech, had been honoured with your approbation.

WILLIAM TRYON.

On Thursday last the house of assembly came to the following resolutions.

*Resolved, Nemine Contrahente.* That the sole right of imposing taxes on the inhabitants of this his Majesty's colony of North Carolina, is now, and ever hath been, legally and constitutionally, vested in the house of assembly, lawfully convened, according to the ancient and established practice, with the consent of the council and his Majesty, the King of Great Britain, or his governor for the time being.

*Resolved, nem. con.* That it is the undoubted privilege of the inhabitants of this colony, to petition their Sovereign for redress of grievances; and that it is lawful and expedient to procure the concurrence of