Compliance with Laws, without any account of the Services ever
[redacted] being laid before us, is a Method of dealing out the
Peoples Money we can never come into

There have not been any Accounts laid before us
of Expences incurred by any Militia ordered out by the
Governor to the Assistance of our back Inhabitants when
there are we will take them into Consideration &c

And may it please your Honours as the
Discharge of the publick Debt now of nine years
Standing and amounting to about 449092 lbs in Tobacco and
£ 1538. 12. 0 Current Money on the 17th day of March last to which
Time the Journal of Accounts was closed must be very burthensome
to the People and if suffered to be annually encreasing must be
Still more so; And as depriving the Servants of the Publick
of the Wages allotted to them some by express Laws and others by the
plainest Rules of common Right and Justice obliges many to part
with them at a very low Rate and renders publick Credit Contemptible
And as we hope we have fully satisfied your Honours that no
Demand against the publick which has either a lawfull or
reasonable Foundation is omitted to be made in the Journal of
Accounts We herewith send it up again to your Honours not
doubting but upon more mature Deliberation on the
Contemptible State of publick Credit and on the Circumstances
both the publick Creditors and the People are brought into
by the Delay of the undoubted Right of the One and keeping

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