

Our Council was General Assembly by the Government
begun and held at the Court Town in the County
The eighth day of May being Tuesday and there continued until
the 22 of the same month in the seventh Year of the Reign of our
Sovereign Lord and Lady King William and Queen Mary Anno
Domini 1695 Being the third Session

Present

His Excellency Francis Nicholson Esq Captain General

the Honorable
Col Henry Toulas } Col David Bunn
Col Geo. Ketchum } John Courts Esq
Col Chas. Hutchins } Edward Randolph Esq

Produced by his Excellency Letter from the said Majesty Dated
22 of August 1694 which being read was found to import the said
Majestys Commands to this Government for sending one hundred and sixty
men or other Assistance towards the defence of their Majestys Province of
New York if Required by the Governor of that Place & the rest of his
Excellency did demand whether a supply should be now considered while
the Assembly continues to prevent the change of calling another Assembly
if such Assistance should be Required

Produced afterwards Letter from their Majestys Honourable Council of New
York with Copy of a Protested Bill of Exchange therein inclosed for 302.8
Sterling with Charge accruing amounting to the sum of £453 said to be
drawn by his Excellency Lionel Copley Esq late Governor of Maryland on
behalf of this Government therefore did likewise demand what Answer
should be given thereto

Ordered that the said Two Letters be referred to the House of Bur-
geses for their Consideration which accordingly were sent

May 13 1695

Brought from the House of Burgeses by Captain R. Byrne and Mr
Tanders the following Message in Order thereto Viz

To his Excellency the Governor in Council

By the Burgeses of the County May 13 1695

May it please your Excellency

We have seen her most Sacred Majestys Letter under the Sign
Manual of the 22 day of August 1694 to your Excellency Commanding
Assistance to be given by this Government of Men or other Supplies for