

Several of the House but for Reason I am your young hearty father I would
do humbly conceive his being present here is our undoubted right and Privilege
and for that Reason do humbly pray your Excellency that the said Philip Clark may
be Permitted to come and sit in the House as being esteemed an Useful Member
thereof

Signed for the House
Gregory C. House

His Excellency is pleased to say that he cannot but Wonder at the Extravagant
humour of the House of Delegates who can stand long upon Heats and Furies
not at all depending on Intemperance but Brought forth they are melted as I see
not to take Notice that Although Mr Speaker had not the manner to read upon
his Excellency as it was his duty yet he could not upon Clark a Person convicted
upon the oath of a Grand Jury for Raising a great disturbance within
the Province

Therefore will send for Mr Speaker and the House and again acquaint them
for what the said Clark stands convicted and how imprisoned and will declare to my
such Person shall attempt to Open the Kings Peace to his most Sacred
Majesty

The honorable Colonel John Addison and Thomas Bach Esq sent to acquaint
the House that his Excellency Committed them and the Speaker to attend him im-
mediately in Council

Colonel Addison and Mr Bach return and say that the House are up

The said Gentlemen are sent to Mr Speaker to tell him that his Excellency now
desires he should attend the House and West after they had sent their Message and did
not sit sometime to receive his Answer thereto

Ordered that the Honorable Col Henry Jones and James Friday Esq return
Mr Nells and Mr Jones the thanks of this Board for their Summons on Sunday
last and Particularly Mr Nells for his yesterday being the Thanksgiving day

Col Addison and Esq Bach return and say they have delivered their Message
and that Mr Speaker returned for Answer that he would get the members to sit in
Order to read upon his Excellency's presence

Mr Speaker and the House of Delegates come up to attend his Excellency in Council

When the Act of Assembly on which Mr Philip Clark stands convicted was read to
them

And his Excellency is pleased to tell the House that he is sorry to hear the Speaker
should go to the Goal all alone and there confer with Mr Clark that whole House the
last Session when his Excellency sent for him he could not come under a long time
and without six members

Ordered several Resolutions to be read containing the said Clarks humbly Reflection
upon the House viz that he could talk more sense than the whole House and that he
could manage them all and Whereupon his Excellency is pleased to ask if it be not Pre-
judicial to the Whole World how useful a member he is of their House viz to purchase
them from and whether it may not be proper to have his Royal Pardon with the other
said Resolutions and the Act of the House at the end of them

That he had Committed letters of the House viz that according to Usage of Parliaments
they would have Committed where returned thanks to Mr Nells and Mr Jones for their
good Summons and not have dated contrary to the best Doctrine preached unto them
January

Lastly his Excellency tells them that whoever should attempt to take Clark out of Pri-
son after an Oath they should declare them traitors and rebellious to his Majesty
And then tells them if they would consider to attend the Service of God then