

the Speaker for new Elections are usually Issued out to the Clerk of the Crown, and the said house not knowing any Officers of that Quality or Denomination to whom any Such Warrants as aforesaid may be Directed whereby they may Unanimously proceed in those great & Weighty Affairs for which they were Conveened—

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In Consideration of the Premises and nothing Doubting Your Lordships Compliance in this Our Iust and Equitable request We the Representatives of this Province by Your Lordships Proclamation Assembled Do humbly desire that Your Lordship will Graciously be pleased to Constitute and Appoint Some Such Officer to whom the Speaker may Direct his Warrants to Such purpose and intendm^{ts} as aforesaid—

Signed p^r Order of the house

Robert Ridgley Cl of the Lower house of Assembly

also this following Paper Viz^t

Lower house of Assembly 17th Aug^t 1681—

It was Voted in this house that it was the right and Priviledge of this House to have an Officer to Attend them in the Nature of a Serjeant at Arms. During their time of Sitting, and this house therefore Humbly request his Lordship to appoint an Officer that may attend this house this present Sessions in that Quality he having reasonable Satisfaction Allowed him for his pains—

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By the House Rob^t Ridgley Cl of the Lower house
of Assembly

Adjourn for an hour—

House again met present as above—

A Message from the Lower house by Col Burgess Col Wells Major Wickes M^r Hill M^r Frisby, M^r Hosier Viz^t

August the 19th 1681—

The house having taken into their Serious Consideration the Message received Yesterday relating to Cap^t Iohn Coode do Answer that Cap^t Coode being at Liberty and presenting himself to this house before any knowledge was given to this house of any Crime this house had no reason to Deny him Admittance to Sitt as a Member of this house—

But upon Receipt of the said Message have as well out of high Respect to his Lordship and the Upper house as unto the Matter of his Accusation Voted that Captain Coode withdraw from Sitting in this house untill further Order of the house and then proceeded to the further Debate of the Matter and Substance of the Message which Consisting of an Accusation only