

Original Journal. being to be Lodged in M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Taskers hands is to be disposed off by his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Govern<sup>r</sup> & Council for their Ma<sup>ty</sup> Service, whereof an Acco<sup>t</sup> is to be Rendered to the next Session of Assembly.

Signed p Order W Bladen Clk Assembly.

May 21<sup>th</sup> 1695.

Assented to by this Board.

Hen Denton Clk Concl.

An Additionall Act to the Act for regulating the Militia, read and Ordered to be Drawn up, severall Remarks thereon to be sent to the House which was done as follows, Viz<sup>t</sup>

By his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council in Assembly.

May 21<sup>th</sup> 1695.

In the Addicōnall Act to the Act for Regulating the Militia within this Province, this Board does recomēd that the ffootmen have a Gun & Cutlace or a Bayonet and a Cartouch Box.

That the ffynes therein be appropriated towards buying of Drums and Trumpets &<sup>ca</sup>

That the Armes and Amunicōn which belong to his Ma<sup>ty</sup> be not Medled with; which amendm<sup>ts</sup> being made this Board are willing to pass the said Bill.

Recommended likewise that there be a person appointed to Execute the Office of Muster Master or Agitant on each side of the Bay who shall be obliged to Muster & see Exercised the severall Troopes and Companies six times Every year besides the Gen<sup>ll</sup> Muster And that Two pounds of tob. p poll be settled upon each of the said Officers.

Sent by Coll Hutchins. H Denton Cl Concl.

Answer thereto Sent as follows, Viz<sup>t</sup>

By the House of Burgesses May 21<sup>th</sup> 1695.

In Answer to the Message by the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Coll Charles Hutchins from yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncy</sup> and Covncill, Wee have seriously & deliberatly consulted the same And thereupon Resolved that the poverty & low circumstances of the people of this Province renders them unable to comply either with the injunctions or Penalties in the said Messuage Proposed, And therefore Wee cannot concurr to the said Amendments

And therefore it is here resolved that the said Bill be laid by at this time, it being the sence of this house that the former law is sufficient at present till the people be more able to Comply with further Injunctions To which Wee humbly pray your Ex<sup>ncy</sup> & Councils Concurrence

Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup> W Bladen Clk Assembly.