

Charge to the Country then by Employing Special messengers U. H. J.  
every time there is Occasion to send to New York or Virginia

The said Proposals were sent by M<sup>r</sup> Perry himself

Came from the House of Burgesses M<sup>r</sup> Boothby Captain  
Dent and Major Thompson who brought a certain Representation  
and Paper of Proposals drawn up by the House in  
relation to Surplusage Land within this province &c in Order  
to be laid before the right Honourable Charles Lord Baron of  
Baltimore Lord and Proprietary of this Province for his Assent  
thereto

The Messengers signify that they are Given in Charge to  
desire that the said Paper after Perusal and Approbation may  
be Expedited back as also that a Return of an Indenture for  
the Election of a Burgess in Calvert County may be sent in  
Order to be laid before the Committee of Elections &c as like-  
wise any other matter now lying before the Board

The Representations and Proposals aforementioned being  
read were well approved of by the Gentlemen of his Majestys  
honble Council His Excellency is pleased to Remark thereon  
that if his Lordship does Agree to the same it will be of good  
Use to the Country and that the House will Afterwards con-  
sider of further ascertaining their Lands by a Law to be made  
for Processioning they will thereby for ever make their Titles  
Certain

Brought from the House of Burgesses by Major Hammond  
M<sup>r</sup> Hanson M<sup>r</sup> Ferry and two other members these following  
Bills & Resolves as also a Certain request of the House  
touching Indians viz<sup>t</sup>

A Bill against Driving Horses in the Woods read and  
Passed first time without Alteration

A Bill for Speedy Justice and Encouragement of Trade &c  
Read first time and passed without Alteration

A Bill Appointing the Justices of the Counties and Vestries  
to return their proceedings to the Governor &c read first time  
and Passed without alteration

The Resolves upon the Proposals are as follows viz<sup>t</sup>

May the 9<sup>th</sup> 1696

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Soverall Proposals from his Excellency to the House of  
Burgesses debated and Resolved upon as followeth

As to the State House

That their be no Chimney in it

That Col<sup>o</sup> Harman build a back Porch to be allowed for  
when finished

That a letter be writ to Esq<sup>r</sup> Neal