

The said Proposall came answered thus viz^t

U. H. J.

By the House of Burgesses July 4th 1696

This House humbly thank his Excellency for his Generous Offer but considering how much they are already Engaged to his Excellency for money already by him advanced upon that Acco^t and how uncapable they are at present to reinburse him and conceiving themselves to have sufficiently advanced towards the Assistance of New York especially having paid to that Government 130^l odd pounds more then what his Sacred Majesty had been Graciously Pleased to declare should be in lieu of the Quota from this province do not think themselves obliged any way to Contribute thereto until his Majestys Royal Pleasure shall be declared therein which this Province with all Obedience will wait for

Signed p Order W Bladen Clk Assembly

Proposed to the House that an Address be drawn up to his Majesty about New York and a Letter writt to M^r Blathwayt and M^r Povey and if they think fitt to employ either of the said Gentlemen to sollicit their Affairs his Excellency will Lend the Country Money to do the same if wanting

Read again the following Bill viz^t An Act for the service of Almighty God and the Establishment of the Protestant Religion within this province and being taken into Mature Consideration proposed that the Remarks thereon made being amended and if they will say therein according to the Ecclesiastical Fundamental Laws of England instead of Fundamental Laws it will pass

The said Bill with the others were returned to the House in Order to be Fair Engrossed

The following Message being by Order drawn up was sent to the House Viz^t

By his Excellency the Governor and Council &c July the 6th 1696.

His Excellency having received Information upon a Complaint made by one M^r Lumley how that M^r John LLewellin had charged him the said Lumley as one of the Conspirators employed about the Intended Assassination against his Majestys Sacred Person such discourses and Reports being held by this Board as matter of Dangerous Consequence to the Government therefore proposed whether it be needful as Circumstances of Affairs now stand that upon the said Report all the Roman Catholicks in the province be secured and disarmed and whether the same will be to his Majestys service and quiet of the Country. p. 895

Signed p Order Hen Denton Clk Council