Resolves of the House of Burgesses October 2d 1696 U. H. J

As to his Excellencys Proposall that care must be taken that the Ships ride together in some convenient ports and Harbours for their better security

The House desire they may be at Liberty to ride where they please for the best advantage of their Trade

As to giving something to the School Master

Thought that Sufficient Encouragement is already given him by the late Resolve of this House

As to the Proposall relating to the Church

It is left to his Excellencys discretion to employ the workmen and Act therein as he thinks fit Provided this province be at no further Charge than what they have already Assented to

As to the Ordinance or Declaration to quiet the Peoples minds ordered the same be and is drawn up

As to Sir Thomas Lawrence the House think they have sufficiently Gratified him

As to the Allowance to be made his Majestys honourable Council

The House have paid them their allowance according to Act of Assembly and refer the Proposall to next Sessions

As to the Rangers Arms &c the House have made an ordinance therefore in a former Sessions and desire the same may be pursued

Signed p Order W Bladen Clk Assembly

October 2d 1696

Assented by his Excellency and his Majestys honourable p. 920 Council except such as are hereafter remarked being drawn up by Order in the following message sent to the House viz^t

By his Excellency the Governor and Council &c October the 2^d 1696.

The several Resolves of the House together with a Certain Instrument drawn up for Endeavouring to quiet the minds of the People &c were received and here read and upon the Latter it is Observed that the same is not drawn according to the proposall omitting in the first place that part signifying that no Assemblies have been ever called by his Excellency since his Access to the Government but upon special Accounts viz^t the Glory of God the Kings Service and good of the Country and if the House is not of the same opinion his Excellency will endeavour to make it out so and shew the Reason why business has not been done in the Assemblies

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