

effect the finishing thereof, there being left about 53^{ls} sterl. in hand to doe it two thirds of the charge being already paid to the said ffreeman as τ receipt appears

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Read part of a Lrē by his Ex^{cy} received from the hon^{ble} John Povey Esq^r dated the 20th of october last past wherein he writes he has not bin wanting to sollicite the Council of trade both by himselfe & M^r Randolph about the Maryland Coynes which nevertheles he hopes now by M^r Blaythwaits means to bring to some determinacōn very soone

Read also another Letter by his Ex^{cy} recd from the said Jn^o Povey Esq^r dated 27th of August last past relating to Coynes formerly read at this board the 16th of March past together with the Council proceedings thereon. Ordered that the same be layd before the house for their Cognizance & whether they thinke fit to give any further answer in that matter

Produced & read a Lrē by his Ex^{cy} rec'd from the hon^{ble} Coll Andrew Hamilton with proposalls in relacōn to erecting post office here

Read also a Letter by his Ex^{cy} recd from his Ex^{cy} Coll Benjamin ffletcher Govern^r of new yorke dated the 8th day of ffbruary last past together with his Ex^{cyes} answer to the same all which were Ordered to be layd before the house for their perusall & cognizance

A Letter of Severall Queries & Instruccōns by his Ex^{cy} recd from the R^t hon^{ble} the Lords of the Council for trade &c. dated the 25th of September 1696 being here read was to the generall satisfaccōn of this Board ffor that his Ma^{ty} hath been soe graciously pleased to have that particuler regard to these plantacōns by Constituting such a Council of trade that are soe careful & dilligent in looking after the affaires of the same ffor the very great promotion of his Ma^{tyes} service here and the good & benefit of the said plantacōns in generall Ordered that the same be layd before the house of Delegates for their Consideracōn and answering the severall Quæries therein put

Produced & read a peticōn of M^r John ffreeman Reg^t of his Ma^{tyes} high Court of Chancery of this province praying some settlement of fees may be made him in that Imploy &c Ordered that the same be referred to the house of Delegates for their Consideracōn

That a Quærie be put to the house whether it will not be proper to encourage some small number of men to goe out beyond the mountaines this su^mer vpon discovery &c.

It is Remarked from the board that they doe not omit off ^{p. 8} or allow that the Clke of the house should signe as Clerke of the Assembly It is to be observed also That he conclude not his Journall by Saying the Assembly prorogues themselves