

L. H. J. Also a Letter from his Excellency Colonel Benjamin Fletcher his Matys: Gov^r of New Yorke together with his Excellency our Gov^{rs} answer to the Same Laid before the house for their consideration.

22^d M^r Jn^o Freeman's petition referred to this house rejected.

23^d Querey. Whether or not it will not be proper to encourage some small number of men to goe out beyond the mountains this Sum^r upon Discovery.

Thought that the sending men upon that acc^t will be chargeable and burthensome to the Country.

24th proposed that the offices in the Stad^t house be first finished the same being likely to be first wanted. That the Fore doore be altered and a pediment placed over each of the outward doors as his hon^r Coll: Hutchins shall direct, that the Shingles be secured from Leakes &c

Quere Whether it may not be necessary the same to be tarred two or three tymes over. That the house be pailed round and paved Ann house of office built and conveniences for hanging horses on.

Proposed that some person be impowered to agree with workmen and finding materialls for accomplishing all the foregoing matters, and making convenient and necessary shelves and Boxes for the offices where wanting, and about maeking and Setting up a pair of Stocks, pillory and Whipping post.

His Ex^{cy} is pleased to declare he has sent for a Copper vane and Broad pendent for the use of the Stad^t house.

Resolved as to the additionall Conveniencyes and things proposed to be done to the Stad^t house, the same are very necessary to be done and that Major Hamond and Major Dorsey be hereby appointed Trustees to agree with and imploy persons to doe and finish the same, who shall be paid therefore out of the publick levy of this province.

p. 134 25th That the house give their opinion Whether it be not convenient to have the Arms sent for in sanguined.

Resolved that it will be very convenient for the better preserving of them that they be sanguined.

The following Resolves sent to his Ex^{cy} and his Matys hon^{ble} Councill.

House adjourned till six a Clock to Morrow Morning.

Tuesday June the first 1697.

House mett. Then read over what was done yesterday.

Major Smithson presents the following Reporte from the Committee of Agrievances.

That humble addresses be made to his Ex^{cy} to enlarge the