

Assembly Proceedings, Mar. 8, 1697/8-Apr. 4, 1698. 15

Hoskins M^r Staley and M^r Hall. Who brought the ffollowing Original
Journal.
Message (Viz)

By the house of Delegates March the 15th 1697/8

We have sent six of our members to see the Navall Officers make Oath to their Acco^{ts} and also to signifye to the hon^{ble} Boarde That we are of opinion that It will not be convenient to prohibite the exportation of Corne and provisions

Signd p Ord^r
W Bladen Cl Dom Del

Came M^r Sam^l Watkins Navall Officer of puttuxent District, and M^r John West Navall Officer of pocomoke district, who p^rsented their Acco^{ts} of the dutys by them Collected and made Oath thereto in p^rsence of his Ex^{cy} and Councill and members of the house of Delegates sent for that purpose Brought also the ffollowing Message which was read, (Viz^t)

By the house of Delegates March the 15th 1697/8

This house do desire that the hon^{ble} Boarde will appoint some of their Members to Joyne with some of ours in Order to consider what Methodes will be best to be taken in Relation to our Neighbour Indians and for securing the ffrontier plantations

Signd p Ord^r
W. Bladen Cl Dom Del

Ordered that the hon^{ble} Colonel George Robotham Thomas Tench Esq^r Colonel Charls Hutchins and Colonel John Addison to Joyne with some of the Members of the house to Consult about the Indians according to Request so soone as tyme and place is agreed on

Signd p Ord^r
Hen Denton Cl Council p. 16

That there be a Certaine forme of oaths p^rscribed to be taken by the sev^rall Officers of the province & Charge for that there be no Ordinarys kept in the Court houses where the Records are kept Especially Tallbott & Sommersett County Court houses, and that there be a Bricke Chymney to each Court house (if any at all), and that the said houses be rayled in & no others suffered to adjoyne to them That there be better prisons (if possible) neare the Court houses, or at Least to have a Cage there with a Whipping post and pillory &^{ca} That some man be agreed with, to keep Each house for feare of