

no reluctance to have that unhappy Act repealed which we Original
humbly desire may be so Journal.

Signed p Order
Chr. Gregory Ck house Del.

The following Answer Sent Viz^t

By his Ex^{cy} the Governo^r and Council in Assembly
Iuly the 21th 1699.

The houses Message by M^r Harris and M^r Whittington
being read att the Board and Considered we are very Willing p. 88
the Law desired should be repealed

Signed p Order
W Bladen Cl Concl.

By the Council in Assembly Iuly the 21th 1699

Wee have Considered the Catalogue of Laws laid before us
and advised to be Continued in their Native dress and approve
very well of your Care and Wisdom therein

Yet as every Generall rule may Admitt of Some Exception
so on this Occasion we think it becomeing to recomēd to you
M^r Rob^t Finley a Gent that hath Constantly attended his
Matys Service in Ireland and fflanders from the beginning to
the end of the late Warrs and Come here with his Excellency
As also M^r Rob^t Blakiston that they may by some publick
Ordinance or otherwise be allowed to hold any Employ^t or
office they or either of them shall be found Capable of, not-
withstanding the Bill in favour of Natives.

We believe it very Agreeable with our Duty and Affection
to his Maty and our Native Country to let such Instances
thereof fall on those who have so Signally attended the Ser-
vice of both Especially in such particulars as this which Can-
not have any Influence to Impead the gen^l Drift of that Law
but may do them good and the Country no harme

Signed p Order
W Bladen Cl Concl.

By his Ex^{cy} the Governo^r & Council in Assembly
Iuly the 21th 1699

Gent Your Message by Cap^t Hill and others hath been
read and Considered And as to yo^r Acknowledgem^t to his
Ex^{cy} we Agree therewith he will returne you Answer in due
time