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By his Excell^{ty} the Govern^r & Council in Assembly
March the 29th 1698.

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It is proposed by this Board that the house would Appoint
Some of their Members to Joyne with Two of his Maj^{ties} Hon^{ble}
Council to examine & View the Records in the Severall offices
whether they bee all there According to former Lists of the
Same taken And that they make Report accordingly.

Signed p Ord^r Hen. Denton Clk Council.

Brought from the house of Dellegates the following Bills
Viz^t A Bill for decideing differences between Masters & Serv^{ts}
read the first time & passed without Alteration.

Brought from the house of Dellegates the following Re-
solves & their Answers to Several Parographs in the Lords
of the Council for Trade & Plantacōns

As to their Ldshpps. Quere abo^t Souldje^{rs} Transporting
themselves hither Wee Can give Small Encouragm^t vnless p. 67
they be Tradesmen or have Sufficient Stock to Quallify
themselves to procure them Land & other necessaryes
vsefull for this Country As to an Agent to appear for vs
qualified by Act of Assembly It is the Opinion of this house
th^t Considering our present Circumstances & Meanness of
Abilitys, Wee apprehend them Wholy vnnessa^{ry} And when
wee have any Matters of Importance to Lay before yo^r Lord-
Sh^{pps} Wee shall Authorize Some fitting person for that
purpose.

As to what becomes of White Serv^{ts} after they have Serv^d
their time they are well Look^t vpon & their Mast^{rs} Cloath
them well, and give them all other necessaryes Sufficient for
one yeare & those th^t are Industrious & frugall purchase
Estates, but the Negligent and Careless run the Same ffate as
in other parts of the world. As to the proposall about Rume
from Pensilvania Since all the Acts for Impositions will not be
repealed the house is willing they should Expire of them-
selves As to Confirming the proceedings of the Assembly
The house is Sufficiently Satisfyed with the proceedings of
this Assembly And doe not think it necessa^{ry} to make any
such Act of Confirmation.

As to deciding differences Between Serv^{ts} & Masters a Bill
is already prepared.

As to the Ordinance proposed agst psons that intice people
out of the Province.

This house doe not think fitt to Lay any such restraint vpon
people but that they may goe where they please paying their
Iust debts.

As to the proposall about the hon^{ble} the Secretary & the p. 68