

98 *Assembly Proceedings, Mar. 10, 1697/8–Apr. 4, 1698.*

Original consideration that the church and Court house charges are
Journal. defrayed and there being a peace, so that our neighbouring
Colonies have not occasion to draw money hence or be
further chargable to the Country, so that the severall acts
aforesaid appear to be grievous and burthensome.

The Consideration whereof this Committee humbly offers to
the house of Assembly.

Resolved that the Committee of Laws draw up a single
address to be sent to his Ex^{cy} to give leave to the Repealing
the said Laws.

Message from his Ex^{cy} and his Ma^{ty}s hon^{ble} Council by
Tho^s Tench and James Ffrisby Esq^{rs}

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and Council March the 21th 1697/8.

His Ex^{cy} is pleased to comānd that Mr Speaker and the
whole house attend him imēdiately in Council to settle the
matter about the Indians Reported by the Comittee, being
one of the principall things for which this Assembly was now
called.

Signed p order. Hen: Denton Ctk: Council.

Whereupon Resolved the following Message be sent to his
Ex^{cy} the Gov^r

By the House of Delegates March 21st 1697/8.

Your Ex^{cy} Command to attend you in Council by the hon^{ble}
Thomas Tench and James Frisby Esq. who have rec^d and
assure your Ex^{cy} that we are very ready to obey them, but for-
asmuch as our Speaker cannot without manifest danger of
p. 178 his life venture out so farr from his chamber we humbly desire
your Ex^{cy} will be pleased to deferr such our waiting upon you
for a day or two hoping in that time our Speaker may be
better able to attend your Ex^{cy} with the house. We conceive
the only thing about the Indians unresolved on is what should
be done in case they do not come in.

If it be so we humbly address your Ex^{cy} we may be admitted
to debate it here and send our Resolutions thereon to y^r Ex^{cy}
and his Maty^s hon^{ble} Council.

Signed by Order. W. Bladen Ck. house Delegates.

Sent p Mr Miller, Mr Jenkins, Mr Wright, and Mr ffery who
returne and Say they have delivered their Message.

House adjourned till 7 o Clock to Morrow Morning at Col:
Robotham's Chamber.