

if they have met with any obstruction in their Loading; Lib. H. D. through means of any Neglect of any People of the Countrey and whether there be any thing wherein this Governm^t can be assistant to them in forwarding their dispatch and that Ord^r should be given accordingly; Saying th^t his Ma^{ty} intrest is very greatly Concern'd in this Affair as well as the good and intrest of the Subject therefore will'd them to Speak who make Answer that they are not sensible of any thing in that nature and that they can Say no more then they have done but Referr themselves wholly to Cap^t Daniell to Rep^tsent their Case to the Co^modore to which Cap^t Dan^l makes answer that he has already given the Co^modore an Acco^t of as much as has been say'd now (by Letter) and that he will personally at his Going Down give him a further Acco^t. He is desired (if the Co^modore alter his Resolution) for to send up an Express thereabout both by Land and by Water for which Care shall be taken to make to make satisfaction.

The hon^{ble} Coll: John Addison and Thomas Brooke Esq Came and were Aded.

Afterwards Cap^t Daniell being called aside was asked by his Ex^{ncy} if he had any thing further to say in this matter who says he has not.

He is desired to Rep^tsent the Case truly to the hon^{ble} the p. 456 Co^modore who says he will.

The foregoing proceedings are by Ord^r read over to the Gentl. last Come, who doe well approve off, and Agree to the same.

ffeb^{ry} the 19th 1696.

The Councill again Sate and were p^rsent,

His Ex^{ncy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq Cap^t Gen^l &^{ca}

S ^r Thomas Laurence Baron ^t Secy ^r	} Coll: John Addison	
Coll: Henry Jowles		} Thomas Brooke Esq
Coll: Nich ^o Greenberry		} James ffrisby Esq

The Proceedings yesterday taken were again Read over to the Gentl. of the Councill this day Come; they approving thereof and Agreeing to the same.

His Ex^{ncys} Communicac^on with his Mats hon^{ble} Councill abt calling an Assembly &^{ca} His Ex^{ncy} is pleased to Demand of the Board that they would deliberately Consult and give their Advice whether it will not (upon this Emergency of Affairs) be absolutely necessary for the Calling of an Assembly considering the Great Number of Ships that are likely to Stay behind; & what is best to be done therein—the w^{ch} being deliberately and maturely Debated it is Resolved upon as followes, Viz^t