

5 Whether it be not requisite to renew the former order to some persons to treat with those Indians at the head of the Bay since the persons before appointed have done nothing therein, which is believed here to be a matter of great Consequence. Original Journal.

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Concl.

Colonel Courts and Colonel Jenkins sent with the following Message viz.

By his Ex^{ncy} the Gov^r & Council in Assembly
April 30th 1700

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Herewith is sent You a Copy of his Ma^{ty's} Royal Instructions to his Ex^{cy} relating to Store Houses for Keeping and Securing of Publick Arms and Am̄unition. Whereupon it is recom̄ended to your considration and care to provide some convenient House in this Towne for a publique Storehouse to receive and secure the Publick Arms and Am̄unition of this Province upon their arrival from England, And that Some person be appointed to take accompt of, look after & Cleane the said arms; for that Severall of them for want thereof are much dampnified by rust &c And the Cartouch Boxes Belts and Sword Scabbards Eaten by the Ratts, sevrall of the Arms lost and the Powder lyes in a very dangerous manner, noe particular Person having the charge upon them

Signed p Order W: Bladen Col Concl:

Copy of his Ma^{ty's} Instruction

You are to take Especial Care that fitt Storehouses be settled throughout that Province for receiving and keeping Arms and Am̄unition and other Publick Stores.

N: Blakiston Signd p Ord^r

M^r Will^m Dent his Ma^{ty's} Att^{ry} Gen^{ll} acquaints the Board that whereas the house of Delegates have Sent out their Com̄ittee of Laws to draw up an Act for the Establishm^t of the Protestant Religion they desire him to assist their said Com̄ittee w^{ch} he is ready to do with his Ex^{cy's} good Leave.

His Ex^{cy} is pleased to order him to assist that Com̄ittee
This Board adjourned till 8 of the Clock to mor morning.

Wednesday May the 1st 1700

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The Council in Assembly Sate P^rsent as yesterday saving Colonel Henry Jowles who is very sick.