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Which being thought reasonable is recommended to the House that they will Suffer a Bill to be brought in therefore & sent to the House by M^r Saunders

Read some Proceedings of his Excellency the Governour and Council of the eighth of May whereby for the Reasons therein expressed his said Excellency with the Council had resolved to give Encouragement to Col Tho^s Smithson chief Justice of the Provincial Court to continue in that Station by allowing him for one year proportionable after the Rate of 50 lb p Annum out of the 50000^l tob^o which his Excellency and this Board are impowered to levy for defraying the small charge of the Province And the following Message sent to the House of Delegates

By his Excellency the Governour & Council
in Assembly June the 27th 1702

We have directed the Gentlemen herewith sent to communicate to you some proceedings in Council of the 8th of May last upon occasion of his Excellency's being informed that Lieut Col Tho^s Smithson chief Justice of the Provincial Court, and who had given great satisfaction to the Country in discharge thereof, had desired to be excused, and was not willing to Serve any longer in that Station. After your consideration whereof we recommend to you that you would encourage the said Col Smithson chearfully to persist in the Execution of his Office by some suitable Reward to his Services He being very well qualified for that Commission by his Learning and great Study, and it being very creditable to the Country to have such a person to fill that Place. Tho at the Same time we must inform you that his Excellency affirms the said Col Smithson hath often moved him expressing his Inclinations as desirous to be excused from executing that Trust any longer, but we are confident will be ready in some great measure to forgoe his private Affairs and continue upon the Terms proposed if the House think It may be of Service to the Country

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Council.

Sent by M^r Brooke Col Hammond Col Lloyd & Lieut^t Col Holland

The reverend D^r Gabriel D Emilliane M^r Sewell M^r Marsden M^r Sharp present the following address to his Excellency & her Majesty's Council viz^t