

P. R. O. Resolvd that the following Message be Sent in Answer  
 B. T. Md. thereto Viz<sup>t</sup>  
 Vol. 17.

By the house of Delegates Sept<sup>r</sup> 30 1704

Wee haue Againe considerd the Message touching the honoble W<sup>m</sup> Blathwait Esq<sup>r</sup> which was resolvd once last Sessions And that is that the Office Was not Erected for our benefitt nor are Wee Concernd to Support it, the Crowne that Created the Office has Annexd A Suitable Sallary to it And that Wee are Sencible of Wee haue A great honour for the Gent Since he is thought worthy of such Eminent Employment And as his Ex<sup>cy</sup> is pleasd to say is ready to receive Applications for the province And Wee hope While wee behave our Selves as Good subjects his Iustice will intitle us to his Countenance And Any favour he shall be pleasd to doe us Wee shall not be backwards in Suitable Acknowledgments.

Wee Wish Your hono<sup>rs</sup> knew the publiq Stock because You are pleasd to press us to Severall Allowances that wee haue not Money to Answer therefore Wee pray Yo<sup>r</sup> hono<sup>rs</sup> to inspect the Same And then consider Whither Wee do not the Uttermost Wee cann.                      Signd p order W<sup>m</sup> Taylard Cl h D

Which being read was Approovd of by the house And Sent up to the Councill by M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Aisquith M<sup>r</sup> James Maxwell & M<sup>r</sup> Gerrd Fowlk.

They returne and say they deliverd the same

James Sanders Esq<sup>r</sup> enters the house and brings with him the Address, Which was Sent to be Engrost.

The honob In<sup>o</sup> Hamond Esq<sup>r</sup> enters the house and delivers the bill for limittacon of Officers fees.

Endors'd. Read & Assented to by her Maj<sup>ty</sup> honoble Councill.    W<sup>m</sup> Bladen Cl Co.

Orderd the following Message be entred. Wee haue considerd Yo<sup>r</sup> hono<sup>rs</sup> Message touching paying tob at 1<sup>d</sup> p <sup>ll</sup> And that You think it of 10<sup>s</sup> p Cent Vallue.

Wee see by the reasons Yo<sup>r</sup> hono<sup>r</sup> Gives that You doe not beleive it Worth 10<sup>s</sup> now but hope it will and that Against All prospect

However in hono<sup>r</sup> to his Ex<sup>cy</sup> our Governo<sup>r</sup> Wee Agree it be so taken And it shall be Accordingly so Calculated.

By the house of Delegates Sept<sup>r</sup> 30 1704

Signd p order W<sup>m</sup> Taylard Cl h

Sent up to his Ex<sup>cy</sup> and Councill by M<sup>r</sup> Henry Coursey M<sup>r</sup> John Hudson M<sup>r</sup> Robt Skinner and M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Stone