

By his Excell^{cy} the Governour & Council in Assembly U. H. J.
May the 16th 1715

Gentlemen—

In answer to your Message this day by M^r Garrett & others we acquaint you his Excellency & this Board do agree that the Consideration of the 27th Article of his Excellency's Instructions communicated to you should be referred 'till It is known what the Fines & Forfeitures amount to And that his Excellency is very glad any thing he can do may be for the Country's Service And hopes It will give you so far an Impression of his good Inclinations that you will diligently & effectually pursue the Good Ends for which you were called together

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Coun

M^r Rousby brought up his Account of the 3^d p hh^d for Arms.

The Board adjourned for two Hours

Post Meridiem

The honble his Majesty's Council Sate

Present

His Excellency the Governour

The Honble {	Col Edward Lloyd	Col Tho ^s Addison	p. 70
	Col W ^m Coursey	John Hall Esq ^r	
	L ^t Col Sam ^l Young	and	
	Col Tho ^s Ennalls	L ^t Col Rich ^d Tilghman	

His Excellency observing the great Charge the General Assembly sits at there being now near £400,000 of Tob^o spent communicated the following Instruction to the Board

Article 21st " You shall reduce the Sallery of the members of the Assembly to a moderate Proportion as may be no Aggrievance to the Country wherein nevertheless you are to use Your Discretion so as no Inconvenience may arise thereby

Which being Considered Advised and Resolved by this Board that the s^d Instruction be laid before the House of Delegates and their Sentiments desired thereon, and the said Instruction being fairly copyed out the following message was sent to the Delegates Viz.

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The above being a Copy of one of the royal Instructions to