

L. H. J.
Liber No. 48
May 11

Ordered, That the Committee of Accounts do insert the Allowance to the Clerk of the Council in the Journal of Accounts, and prepare a Message to be sent to the Upper House therewith.

The House adjourns until 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

Post-Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Col. Tilghman appeared in the House.

His Excellency the Governor communicated to M.^r Speaker the following Message, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

Inclosed you have Major Prather's Journal, and some Returns, which I have received from the Officers of some of the Ranging Parties on the Frontiers. As I have, in Confidence that you will reimburse me, already advanced more Money for the Support of those Parties than the Sums you have granted by Ordinance for that Purpose, and as the Men refuse to serve any longer than they are regularly and punctually paid, I must once more desire you to empower me to satisfy them, and keep them on Foot for the Protection of the Frontier-Inhabitants, till more effectual Measures can be taken for their Defence and Security. Should they be disbanded but a few Days, before other Men can be raised and sent to replace them, you must be sensible the Settlements on Conogochiegh would be broke up, and all the back Inhabitants thrown into the greatest Confusion and Consternation: Therefore I hope you will not hesitate to take this Matter into Consideration, and comply with my Request.

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Hor.^o Sharpe.

His Excellency the Governor communicated to M.^r Speaker the following Message, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

p. 267 Upon Governor Dinwiddie's acquainting me, in Answer to the Letter that I wrote to him on the Subject of your Address of the 3d of March, that there were no Arms nor Ammunition lodged in Virginia for the Use of his Majesty's American Colonies, and that he could not, on any Terms, supply us with either, I communicated the Purport of your Address to General Shirley, and desired him, if it was in his Power, to spare us a few Arms for some of the Troops that I expected you would empower me to raise in this Province: I was Yesterday favoured with his Excellency's Answer, which I lay before you, that you may see on what Conditions, Arms and Ammunition will be delivered to any Person who shall be empowered, by this Government, to receive and convey them hither.

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Hor.^o Sharpe.