

U. H. J. this Aid of Troops will be immediately wanted most seriously Recom-
 Liber No. 35 mend it to you to Obtain them from the Assembly without Loss of
 April 13 time and to hold them in readiness to march wheresoever I may have
 Occasion for them upon the first notice you shall receive from me for
 that purpose

I have it also in Command from His Majesty to Enjoin you to Collect and Cause to be put in proper Condition all the Servicable Arms that can be found within Your Province for every one of which that shall be Brought to the Field and shall not return by reason of being Spoiled or lost in Achael Service, I shall pay the Usual Allowance of Twenty five Shillings ʒ Firelock

As it is very Essential to the services I have in Command from the King, that I should be as Early as possible, Informed of the Resolves of Your Assembly on this head and of the time that the troops will be ready I Beg that so Soon as you are Acquainted there with you will Signify the Same to me by Express that I may Regulate Myself Accordingly

I am with great Regard Your Most
 Obedient Humble Servant
 Jeff Amherst

Mess^{rs} Goldsborough and Tilghman from the Lower House acquaint his Excellency Their House hath made Choice of M^r John
 p. 464 Allen Thomas for their Clerk and hope for his Excellencys Approbation to whom his Excellency is pleased to declare that he Approves of their Choice

Mess^{rs} Murdock & Hanson from the Lower House attend with M^r John Allen Thomas Clerk of the said House, in order to see him Qualified, who takes the several Oaths to the Government prescribed by Law, repeats and subscribe the Abjuration and Test and Also takes the Usual Oath of Office and then with draws

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

May 14

Tuesday Morning 14th May 1761

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as Yesterday

Mess^{rs} Goldsborough and Gassaway attend with Mess^{rs} Greenfield Bowman, Gibson, Baker Mauldin and Travers to see them Qualified who take the several Oaths to the Government prescribed by Law, repeat Subscribe the Abjuration and Test and then withdrew

A Message from the Lower House by Mess^{rs} Worthington & Hanson