

third Day of September 1704, all Amerciaments in the Provincial Court are to be employed as the Governor and Council think fit; but, it not appearing to this House, how the same have been employed, or that they have been accounted for since the passing that Act, humbly pray your Excellency will order an Account of them to be laid before us this Session.

L. H. J.
Liber No. 52
Nov. 15

Signed per Order, Thomas Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Sent up to his Excellency the Governor by Capt. Dent, and M.^r Harrison: They return and say they delivered the same.

Col. William Whittington from the Honourable Council, delivers to M.^r Speaker, the following Message Viz.^t

By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly,
May 5, 1715.

Gentlemen,

On Receipt of your Message, by Capt. Dent, and M.^r Harrison, his Excellency has been pleased to enquire how the Provincial Amerciaments have been disposed of, and was informed by the Clerk of this Board, that, by an Order in Council, made in his Excellency Governor Nicholson's Time, the said Provincial Amerciaments were settled on the then Clerk of the Council, M.^r Henry Denton, the better to enable him to keep a Clerk, and, afterwards, upon the present Clerk's coming into the Office, he had Execution granted to him, at two several Times for them, once in his Excellency, Col. Blakiston's Time, and once during Col. Seymour's Government, by Virtue whereof he has received a small Quantity of Tobacco, scarce worth his Trouble and Charge in making them out to the several Counties, and will be ready to render an Account of what he has received thereof

Signed p Order, W. Bladen, Cl. Council.

With which the House is satisfied.

The following Address being prepared, is ordered to be entered, Viz.^t

By the House of Delegates, May 13, 1715

Upon Perusal of 26.th Article of her late Majesty's Instructions concerning the Twelve Pence per Hogshead, given for the Use and Support of the Government of this Province, to be applied by your Excellency in the Manner as in the said Article is directed; and, on Perusal of the Accounts of John Rousby, Esq one of the Officers that collected 3.^d per Hogshead, Part of the said 12.^d applied for purchasing Arms and Ammunition, for the Province, in Patuxent District; it appears, that for many Years by past, that Part of the said Impost, applied for Arms, has been very much impaired, and the Ends for which it was designed, in a great Measure frustrated, by Reason of the extravagant Salary of a hundred Pounds Sterling