

Mr. Cheseldyne from the Lower house comes to acquaint this house that they had appointed some of their Members to Join with some of this house in a Committee for Drawing up a Law for the Defence of the Province —

This house for answer reply that they will first speak with his Lordship and to morrow will appoint some of this house to Join with them —

Mr. Cheseldyne returns —

The Oath of Thomas Gurnwin read in this house & the following Order thereupon past —

Upper house of Assembly Aug<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1681.

Whereas there is a certain freeman an Englishman lately come over from Virginia who Reported at William Rosewells in St. Maries County that he heard some Indians in Virginia Discourse of the late Murder of the English at Point Look out (as is supposed) upon the Friday after the Murder was there Perpetrated (as upon Oath hath been Averied) and whereas the said Freeman went from the house of the said Rosewell in Company of Rich<sup>d</sup> Witter of Charles County by the Invitation of the said Witter —

This house willing to be informed of the Truth of the Premises do hereby Order the said Witter to find out the said Freeman and him to bring to the Upper house of Assembly or to his Lordship and Council to inform them of the Truth of the Premises and do Order that as well the said Witter as the said Freeman have their Charges borne and be rewarded as the Affair they come about Deserves —

Signed by Order

J. John Lewellin Clerk of Assembly —

Sent by Col Darnall from this house to his Lordship for his Perusal and its better Dispatch

Mr. Cheseldyne from the Lower house comes to this house to acquaint them that they had no Business yet ready to Communicate to this house —

Adjourn till to morrow Morning 9 a Clock —

Upper house mett August the 31<sup>th</sup> 1681

PRESENT

The Honble { The Chancellor of Col Tailer —  
The Secretary } Col Darnall  
The Sur<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> } Cap<sup>t</sup> Digges

Upper house August the 31<sup>th</sup> 1681

This house have appointed Col Thomas Tailer and Col William Stevens (when he comes) to Join in a Committee with some of the Members of the Lower house for adjusting the Publick Accounts this house desire to know the Names of those Members of the Lower house appointed for a Committee to Draw up the Law for the Defence of the Province that some of the Members of this house may be appointed to Join with them —

Signed by Order of John Lewellin C of Assembly —

Sent to the Lower house by Cap<sup>t</sup> Digges he returns again into this house —

A Message from the Lower house by John Edmundson & W<sup>m</sup> Richardson Esq<sup>r</sup>