

This Province and appointing Officers or Gaolers to each of them, appointed a Committee to draw up a Bill accordingly who having sat several Days and frequent Debates made upon Propositions from them —

This house do find it Matter of such Difficulity that they Desire the upper house either to prepare the Bill or putt this house in some Rule thereto or they pray his Lordship to refer it to the further Consideration of a future Convention —

Signed P. Order

G. Boteler Esq^t of the Lower house of Assembly.

A Message from the Lower house of M^r Cheshedyne & Francis Billingsley Desiring a Revival of the Book of Laws and an Answer to the last Bill relating to the Land Office —

The Clerk of this house is ordered to go to the Office and to Deliver them the Book of Laws, and an Answer to the rest of their Message shall be sent them

A Message from the Lower house of Mr. Ellerton Mr. Homewood Capt. Sripire and Mr. Hinson Esq^t —

Lower house of Assembly November the 9th 1681 —

This house taking into their serious Consideration the Message of the Upper house Annexed to the ^{first} Temporary Laws and their Vote thereupon Do conceive, that this house cannot hastily Concur with the Upper house in the Said Vote, without making first a strict enquiry and Search into the Body of Laws by a Committee Appointed to that Purpose Lest the Regulating one Mistake may make many more, which will require (considerable time), and this house having now finished all their other Business and Debates the Act for payment of the Publick Debts almost finished, his Lordship pressing our Dispatch as well as our private Affairs, Do pray that this as well as some other Matters imperfectly Debated may be referred to the next Convention of Assembly and in Order thereto do vote that this house will not take advantage of any Mistakes or Errors arising and Proceeding from over hasty passing of the former Bills of Revival, but will Deal Candidly and Honourably with the Upper house according to the true Sense and Meaning of both Houses therein: and that the Several Laws within this Province may stand and remain in force according to the termination therein expressed notwithstanding any Clause in the said Bills of Revival to the contrary: In Expectation and hopes to have the like fair Dealing from the Upper House, and that the Several acts made last Sessions of Assembly consented unto by his Lordships Governor then sitting may stand in full force, and Proclamation or Declarations notwithstanding and that the Upper house please to send this house their assent to the Bill relating to the Land Office —

Signed P. Order

G. Boteler Esq^t of the Lower house of Assembly
Adjourn till to Morrow Nine o'clock