

Under pain of Banishment fine and Imprisonment at the Discretion of the Govern-
ment; And further I am to tell you that the refusing Allegiance implies Rebellion, and that
you have no Privilege to break Contemtn or disobey Laws, wherefore you are desired to return
to your house and Consider of it for that the Government will not permit this house to
proceed to any Business whatsoever till you Satisfie the Law & Government in this point
for by how much the more you refuse Allegiance by so much the more the Government have
Cause to Suspect your Loyalty so God of his Mercy direct You

Which Speech being ended the Speaker with the Members of the Lower house
and their Clerks return again to their own house

M^r. Henry Harokins from the Lower house & Delivers this Message

Lower house of Assembly 16 November 1688.

This house pray the Upper house to send them a Copy of the Speech this
Day made to the them by the honourable President in the Upper house that this
house may Consider of the Same —

Signed G. Order William Dent G of the Lower house

The same sent to them by Major Sewall who returns and says the Lower
house are adjourned —

This house adjourned till to Morrow Morning 9 of the Clock
The 17th of November 1688 The Upper house sat again

Present

The honourable — { William Joseph Esq^r
Coll Henry Darnall
Major Nicholas Sewall
Clement Hill Esq^r }

Major Sewall goes again with a Copy of the Presidents Speech about the
Oath of fidelity, he returns and says he has delivered the Same —

The following Message sent by M^r. Clement Hill to the Lower house Viz.
Upper house of Assembly 17 November 1688

This house supposing that the Lower house do still lye under some Mistake
in the Matter of proposing the Oath of fidelity, This house do therefore further and
again Explaine themselves and say as they did in their Message by M^r. Sed^s Sewall of
the 15th Instant that the said Oath is not proposed by the Upper house as an Upper
house nor to them as a Lower house but this Oath is proposed by the Dep^t. Governors
to both houses as they are President & in being within this Province unto which this
house have already Complied, and further say that if the Lower house can Contrive
away whereby the said Oath may be taken by every Individuall Member of both
houses as it must be before Business can be Entred upon, that this house is ready
to Join with them therein —

Signed G. Order Tho. Granwin G of Assembly

The said M^r. Clement Hill returns and says that meeting the Speaker
near the Door he askt M^r. Hill if he was Come to the Lower house with a Message
from the Upper house who told him he was, Whereupon the Speaker desired his
Leave that they were not in a Capacity to receive any Message being resolved —