

Upper house November 21 1688

This house desire the Lower house may Joyn some of their Members in a Committee with One or more of this house in Order to the drawing up a Bill for preventing the Exportation of Bulk Tobacco out of this Province as by Order of King and Council a Copy whereof is herewith sent it is required

Signed G. Order Thomas Crummin Esq of Assembly

He returns and says he has Delivered it

Coll Bowles Mr. Singan, Mr. Harris & Doctor Brook from the Lower house with the following Message Viz:

Lower house of Assembly 21 November 1688

This house return the Upper house thanks for the Bill about Orphans Estates - They have also read the Letter Importing his Majesties Royal Pleasure to his Lordship Concerning Bulk Tobacco and the Message therewith brought by the honourable Clement Hill Esq. and return this Answer that at this time several of the Members of this house are out and in a Committee of Laws -

That it is Voted in this house before any thing further be proceeded on as to the the Business of Bulk Tobacco the said Committee be called in and the same seriously Debated In pursuance of the aforesaid Vote this house will forth with call in their said Committee, And of the Resolves of this house give the Upper house an Account, But because it is late they conceive the same cannot be perfected to Night

Signed G. Order William Dent Esq of the Lower house

Coll Pye goes to the Lower house to know whether the Lower house have any thing further for this house to Night if not this house will Adjourn, he returns and says the Lower house have not any further to Night

This house Adjourn untill to Morrow Morning 8 of the Clock
The 22 November 1688 The Upper house Sat again

Present

The honourable } William Joseph Esq. }
Coll Edward Pye }
Coll Henry Darnall }
Major Nicholas Sewall }
Clement Hill Esq. }

Then went the honourable Mr. Clement Hill & Major Nicholas Sewall with this following Message & propositions to the Lower house Viz:

Upper house of Assembly 22 November 1688

This house desire the Lower house to resolve with this house into a Grand Committee of both houses to Debate the only great and Undoubted God of the People of this Province upon these following heads to witt

- 1st So encourage and Improve Husbandry
- 2^d So promote the Sowing of hemp and flax and Reviving the Lanes to that end or otherwise as shall be thought fitt
- 3^d So encourage the making of Linnen and Woollen by Reviving in Lanes w. Amendments as shall be found convenient or most proper
- 4th So encourage Tradesmen of all sorts to come and Inhabit the Towns & Carry on a Manufacture within this Province whereby we may be supplied w. in Curre.