

ye to stand and it is further represented that the Colony of Virginia which
has right doubtless the Liberties of this Province has voted about the same number of
Burgesses

By Order of the Council
H. Denton Clerk

May the 5 1696

The Council again late and were Present as Yesterday

The aforesaid Message being fair writ out was sent to the House by Col^l Hob-
ham Col^l Guentem and Col^l Courts.

Brought from the House of Burgesses by Major Hammond and several other
members the following answer to the aforesaid message viz^t

By the House of Burgesses May the 5 1696

Upon Perusal of that part of the message by the honorable Council this day
brought to the House in answer to our message yesterday sent to your Board
in relation to the Order of Councils which at the door of the House of Assembly we
find the same no ways satisfactory to our desire in our said message viz^t that
the said Order may not stand on the Journal of the honorable Council therefore humbly
presume to press the same again to your Excellency and this Majesty's honorable Council
that it may be taken off otherwise this House will adjourn to some other place
and proceed to no other business until such time as we shall receive satisfactory
Answer thereto as to the other part of your message we shall in some convenient
time return an Answer

Signed by Order

W. Bladen Clerk of the Assembly

Ordered that an Answer be drawn up to the same which was done as
Follows viz^t

By his Excellency the Governor and Council &c^t
May the 5 1696

The Message by Major Hammond and several other of the House members
was received and these two questions are asked viz^t whether all the members of
the House were present at that Vote passing and whether the same passed the
nine Contradictors neither of which way passing upon Paper and then... some
further Answer shall be given therein which we hope in God will be satisfactory

Signed by Order

H. Denton Clerk of the Council

The said Answer was sent by Col^l Hutchins and Col^l Boone

Dinah Nutheads Petition for license to Print was read and referred to the
House that if they have nothing to Object her Paper might be granted provided