

morning

June 11 1697

The Council again sat and were Present as yesterday
The messengers last night directed to go with the Bills &c do say they have delivered the same
into the House

Proposed that if the House do not agree that the letters brought in by Messengers of Ships should
be left in the collectors &c that then they appoint and impower some other person or persons
in every River to receive such letters which is thought will be of great use to the Inhabitants
Query Whether the breeding up Indian youth in Schools and fitting them for the Universities
in Virginia will not be one good means to effect the Conversion of the Indians

Brought from the House of Delegates the following Resolves

By the House of Delegates June 11 1697

It is Ordered by this House that no person whatsoever presume to make, Adorn or in the
new State House any of the Rooms and Offices thereto belonging under the Penalty of
10^l to his Majesty for repairing the said State House this Order to be fixed at the door of the
said State House

Resolved by this House that it will be for his Majesty's Service that the Ships in the Country
after the men of War are gone out of Virginia be permitted to sail - Ordered to be by his Majesty's
honourable Council and Ordered accordingly

Hen Denton Esq. Council

Resolved by this House that the persons appointed to appraise the publick levy be
hereby Empowered to Order the payment of the several sums of money to the several persons
that are allowed the same this Session upon the Journal of the Committee of Accounts out of
the publick Treasurers hands

W Blauder Esq. Delegates

Ordered to be by his Excellency and his Majesty's honourable Council

Henry Denton Esq. Council

A Bill for Apportioning the publick levy read second time and Ordered to be by his Majesty's
honourable Council

Then read the following Uttermost Resolves of the House brought by Major Denis W. Blay
and W. Ferry with the aforementioned Bill in relation to the publick Arms and powder
in order to be passed into an Ordinance

Voted and Resolved that the Kings Arms and Country Arms distributed according to Order
of his Excellency the Governor and Council be kept well fixed and in good Repair at the Country
Charge as also the Lamping and Removing to those places where they are lodged

That the Officer with whom the Arms powder or Ammunition is or shall be Lodged by
Order of his Excellency do give two receipts for the same one to his Excellency the Governor another
to be kept amongst the Council Records which Arms Ammunition &c not to be disposed of except
Powder as shall be hereafter Ordered by the Officer where lodged unless by Order of his Excellency
or of the Field Officers in case of Invasion or Insurrection which Express forbid upon forfeiture of
Twelve the worth of the said Arms and Ammunition to be disposed of for purchasing more

That upon the death or removal of any Officer with whom Arms and Ammunition
are lodged the next field Officer with one Captain do immediately go and take an account of
the said Arms and Ammunition and secure them until they receive some further Order
thereout from his Excellency the Command in chief to whom they are with convenient
Speed to send

That if it appear the Arms and Ammunition have been Imbeared by any Officer with
whom they shall be heretofore have been lodged or by the heirs Executors or Administrators
of any such Officers the Value thereof shall be first satisfied out of the said deceased Officers
Estate

That considering the powder of this Province is generally decayed and of little Value it
may be lawful for each respective Officer with whom it is lodged to sell or dispose of one half
of the same provided within six months they provide the same quantity of good new