

As he is so and most serviceable to his Majesty and safety of his Country it being  
thought necessary to keep them at the present now there is a peace and no fear  
of any French or Indians attacking those parts besides the Return of the Picaconny  
Indians may now at this time be expected neither if they come at all yet it is thought  
necessary that the Old Rangow be still continued and kept in Service and pay upon  
the new One be Rightly equipt and established and is Ordered Accordingly  
April the 2 1698

The Council again sat and were Present as Yesterday

The Remarks upon the Resolves yesterday being fair without and Perused were  
sent by the Honourable Thomas Fench Esq and James Fitchy Esq together with Benj  
Halls Bill of Exchange and Letter from the Navy Office and Copy of the Certificate  
from the Ordnance Office.

Brought from the House the following Resolves viz<sup>t</sup>

By the House of Delegates March 31 1698

Resolved that M<sup>r</sup> John Pory be continued publick Post for the ensuing Year upon  
the same foot as first Appointed Signed J. Under W. Bladen Esq

April 2 1698

Appointed to by his Excellency his Majestys Honourable Council  
HEN DENTON Esq

Brought from the House of Delegates by M<sup>r</sup> Campbell and five other members  
the following Answer of the House to the Remarks of this Board on Yesterday's Resolves

By the House of Delegates April the 2 1698

Answer to several Remarks upon the Resolves of the House sent yesterday by M<sup>r</sup>  
Benjamin Hall and others. As to the Revivall Bill

1 We have done our duties in preparing a Reviving Bill and if his Excellency will not  
pass it, it lies not at our doors

2 As to M<sup>r</sup> Sewell, since we are to disburse the Country's Money we are the proper Judges  
of what is fitting to be allowed

3 As to his Majesty's Honourable Council. That we first designed was true yet we were  
so tender of their Honours that we would not suffer it to Appear upon our Journal

5 As to M<sup>r</sup> Denton. That which your Excellency and Honourable Council call a Com-  
mittee the House tho' they acquiesce with it do not Approve of it that it should be called by  
that Name being the people Summoned had no Authority from the Country and durst not  
freely debate the matter with your Excellency Wherefore the House desire to be Secured from  
making any further Allowance to M<sup>r</sup> Denton upon this Score When we setled the Clerk of  
the Council in a yearly Salary of 12000 Tobacco Annuum he did promise that the Country  
should be at further charge for any Writing in Relation to his Office - This Allowance of  
400 Tobacco was intended for both Committees however voided in the Journal of the  
Committee of Accounts

As to the Letter from the Navy Office we cannot return any Answer unless we rec<sup>d</sup> Esq  
Kandolphs Letter and being it is desired to him he ought to Return an Answer to it

An Answer shall be returned to the Certificate from the Ordnance Office

As to the Puttall Bill of Exchange allowed M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Hall it is not consistent  
with the Honour of this House to delay the Payment of so just a debt and of which we are  
so well satisfied that profumely pray your Excellency and Council will Consent to the  
Payment thereof

As to the Payment of his Majesty's Councils

As for as the Receipts Tobacco will extend the House agree they may be Equally  
Allowed

As to the Proposal about the Levy Law we do say that we make use of no Pardons