

but whether he is a Deacon or priest, sit by the Law
of England. An Answer Board demands.

Signed for? Hon. Denton C^o. Council.
The which being read. Ordered the following Message be sent to the Hon^o.
Council.

By the House of Burgesses Sep^r. the 21th 1090.
The House before sending the last Message in relation to Col. Coode did
examine as well of his Qualification to sit as of the decency of his Election, and it
did appear to us that he was not only duly elected but also legally qualified
to sit as a Member of this House, notwithstanding what was alleged.
Therefore humbly pray as in our former Message we have prayed.
Signed for? W. Bladen C^o. Assembly.

Sent for Capt. Hopkins and Mr. Ashman - who are ordered to present Col. Coode.
Col. Coode offers to depose that he is not a priest.
House adjourned till to morrow morning at 7 a clock.

Tuesday Sep^r. the 22nd 1090.
House met. The hon^o. Col. Hutchins, Col. Addison, Tho^s. Brooke Esq^r.
and James Frisby Esq^r. Come down to the House and signify that his Esq^r.
requests their attendance immediately at the Council Chamber, whereupon
Mr. Speaker and the rest of the Members adjourned themselves to the
Council Chamber to attend upon his Esq^r. - where being admitted, his Esq^r.
was pleased to acquaint Mr. Speaker and the House of Burgesses, that
he was sorry to send for them upon this occasion (to wit) that they should
assist to have Mr. John Coode sworn a Member of their House.

That they would not suffer any vote
of the in opposition to an Act of Parliament
of the Kingdom of England.

That he was Mr. Coode for the a^g. Deacon.
But he better informed what a sort of wicked
and for they had spent much time and run the Country
to do much charge in endeavouring to uphold, he delivered unto them
several depositions by which the said Coode appeared to be guilty in the
highest degree of Blaspheming the Holy Trinity.

After which his Esq^r. was pleased to tell the House, if they would
proceed to do the Country's business on which they were sent he would with
his Mat^r. Council attend thereon, and pray'd God to direct them.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker and the rest of the Members take leave and
departe to the House. House again met.
Moved by some of the Members of this House that Col. Coode withdraw
whilst the House debate concerning him.

Whereupon he withdrew.
The first thing taken into consideration - was that part of his Esq^r.