

not exceeding the sum of 2000^l. Tobacco

Resolved that the Charge of Henry is thought too burthen some to y^e Province.

20 - That whereas William Freeman of Brick Layer being Runaway and left Mr. Workemans house one of the publick buildings in this porte a greate parte thereof unfinished, the advice of the House is desired what is left to be done to effect the finishing thereof, there being left about 53^l 5^s 6^d. in hand to do it, two thirds of the Charge being already paid to y^e said Freeman as per Receipt appears.

Referred till Mr. Workeman appears in the House.

21th - Several Letters from the Hon^{ble} John Povey Esq. in Relation to y^e affaires of this Province how Managed in England.

A Letter from the Hon^{ble} Col. Andrew Hamilton with his proposals about erecting a post office here.

Also a Letter from his Excellency Colonel Benjamin Fletcher his Matys Gov^r of New York together with his Excellency own Gov^r Answer to the same Laid before the House for their Consideration.

22th - Mr. In. Freemans petition referred to this House is rejected.

23th - Query Whether or not it will not be proper to Encourage some small Number of men to goe out beyond the Mountains this Summer upon Discovery.

Thought that the sending Men upon that acc^t will be Chargeable and burthen some to y^e Country.

24th - Proposed that the offices in the Stad^t house be first finished the same being likely to be first wanted, That the Fore door be altered and a pediment placed over each of the outward doors as his Hon^r Col. Hutchins shall direct, that the Shingled be secured from Leakes

He: Query Whether it may not be necessary the same to be tarred two or three tymes over. That the house be Pailed round and paved with House of Office built and Conveniency for hanging Horses on.

Proposed that some person be empowered to agree with workmen and finding Materials for accomplishing all the foregoing matters, and Making convenient and necessary Shelves and Boxes for the offices where wanted, and about Making and setting up a pair of stocks, Pillory and Whipping post.

His Esq. is pleased to declare he has sent for a Copper vane and Broad pendent for the use of the Stad^t house.

Resolved as to the additional Conveniencies and things * * * proposed to be done to the Stad^t house - the same are very necessary to be done, and that Major Hamont and Major Dorney be here by appointed Trustees to agree with and employ persons to doe and finish the same, who shall be paid therefore out of y^e publick Treasury of this Province.