

By His Exc^{ty}. the Gov^o. and Council in Assembly April the 1th. 1698.
In Answer to the House this day sent Concerning the Bill of Revival His
Exc^{ty} for your Satisfaction hath herewith sent a Copy of two of His Maty^s Royall
Instructions by which He takes Himselfe to be tyed up from passing the Bill,
Yet dos believe it necessary that a Bill be drawn to revive the Temporary
Laws passed last Sessions of Assembly which otherwise will now expire.

You are desired to send up what things you are minded to pass
into an Ordinance of Assembly -

I speak for ever.

Ans. Dr. Dr. Council

Our Express Will and pleasure is that all Laws whatsoever for the good
Government and Supporte of our Said Province be made indefinite and
without limitation of time except the same for a Temporary end and which
shall expire and have its full effect within a certaine time.

And therefore you shall not enact any Law which shall be once
enacted by you except upon very urgent occasions but in no case more
then once without our speciall leave or Comands therein.

The above is a true Copy of His Maty^s Royall Instructions.

J^r. Nicholson.

And you are particularly not to pass any Law or do any grant, settlement
or otherwise, whereby our Revenue may be expended or impaired without
our speciall leave or Comand therein.

The above is a true Copy of one of His Maty^s Royall Instructions.

J^r. Nicholson.

The Committee of Acc^t. Journall being perused it is remarked that the
Delegates Living on the Western Shoar have allowance made them for
Boats and hands, but His Maty^s Chancellor under the same Circumstances
have no such allowance (neither are their Itinerant Charges considered
Equall to the Delegates).

Quere - why Mainis acc^t. is struck out

Quere - why Mr. Sewells was not allowed as well as the other Ministers

His Exc^{ty}. dos not understand that any of the Members Boys should be
admitted to officiate as Clerks.

His Exc^{ty}. wants to know upon what acc^t. Mr. Ben^t. Hall and Mr. Mr.
Sayland are allowed for their protested Bills.

Henry Draton Cl^r. of the Council is not allowed his Sallary as being
Cl^r. to His Maty^s Hon^o. Council in Assembly which is found to be allowed
to the Cl^r. of your house notwithstanding (by former Order and agreement)
they stand both up the same foot. and is thought reasonable he should
be allowed his Cl^r. Assistants Expences as the other.

The said Henry Draton beanes likewise allowance for being Cl^r. to
the Committee in October last as well as Mr. Bladen and Mr. Gregory who