

Coll^o Thompson attend him to be sworn before his Ex^{ty} and Council
who returne and say they saw him sworn.

Ordered that the publick Treasur^r and Navall officers appear on
Thursday Morning and bring with them their acc^t. &c.

Ordered that the Sergeant attendant give notice to the officers afo^r to
to appear for that purpose

Mr. Harris Mr. John Salter Mr. Phill Lynes Mr. John Darsey Mr.
John Wright appointed a Comitted to enquire into the Grievances of the
Province and are sent out.

Proposed whether it be not reasonable that an humble address
be made to his Ex^{ty} that some part or portion of the 3^d p^{ar} of ams be
applied towards the cleaning fixing and preserving the publick Armes
now in the County.

Resolved that an address for that purpose be drawne and that
Mr. Henelm Cheseldyne Maj^r Dent and Coll^o Whittington draw
the address for that purpose.

Who returne and deliver the same to Mr. Speaker and is as fol^low^s

By the House of Burgesses May the 12th 1701.

May it please Your Ex^{ty}:-

By this our humble address aforesent to yo^r Ex^{ty}
That we find by our Journalls and other proceedings that out of the
12th p^{ar} by the Law of this Province settled on his Majesty for support of
the Govern^t &c. His Maty^{ty} has been graciously pleased to direct 3^d p^{ar}
thereof towards supplying the Province with Armes, Ammunition and
other implements of warr which by the blessing of God and Your Ex^{ty}
good conduct and care has supplied us with a sufficient quantity
in number tho' many deficient in quality and we hope Money in
Bank upon the same funds.

That these (our) of warr at it prompts all other to put our
Selves in the best posture of defense we are able by cleaning and
making fit for Service those Armes and implements of warr that
we have (many of them) in the severall Counties being unserviceable and
out of Order; from these premises we pray Your Ex^{ty} to Condescend
and give Order that soe much Money out of that funds as upon
reasonable Computation shall be Judgd necessary may be applied to
make fit and serviceable those Armes and implements of warr in
the severall Counties as may Complate the same and that some
fitting person in the severall Counties may be empowerd to receive
the said Money and see the work performed - And returne an acc^t
to Your Ex^{ty} &c. which wee humbly hope and conceive is Consonant
to His Maty^{ty} most gracious intentions and will be graciously
received and granted by Your Excellency.