

Proposed whether it be not convenient the Rangers be taken of and
Disbanded or not

Resolved that an humble address be made to his Exc^{ty} for that
purpose. James Baker Doorkeeper presents the Honble Speakers his
petition as followth.

To the Honble Tho^s Smithson Esq^r Speaker of the House
of Assembly and the Rest of the Delegates and burgesses now Conveyned.

The Humble peti^on of James Baker Doorkeeper.
Sheweth That your Petitioner for Several year Lasts has been
a partaker of your abundant Favour which in all tydes of Obligatory
Duty he is Obliged to returne your Hon^{rs} (Most humble and hearty thanks.
That your Petitioner the Last year^{ly} Assembly presented his Humble
peti^on to your Hon^{rs} therein setting forth that by Decayed age Lameness
and other infirmities he was reduced to a very lowe State and Condition
and consequently supplicated to your Hon^{rs} to bestow upon him a Sum^{me}
the prayer of which petition was then Granted but the then Clerk of the
Committee of accounts either by his inadvertency or Mistake in writing
omitted to enter your honours Order in the Acct and by that means
your Petitioner is hitherto left without in Contempt to the Order of the
Honble House.

Your Petitioner therefore (Most humbly) prays your Hon^{rs} to be
Favourably pleased to bestow upon him a mesage to relieve him in his
Great Necessity and thereby your Hon^{rs} under Gods will preserve him and
his poor Ancient wife and family from perishing.

and your Pet^r shall ever pray &c.

Which being read the poverty and age of your Petitioner is by the house
considered. It is Resolved that an able Man Sent be fourth with a
purchase and deliver him for his reliefe in his Old age, and
Ordered that Tho^s Smith and Coll^o John Thompson buy a Sent fourth
to be delivered the petitioner and this house will see the same paid
for if his Exc^{ty} shall please to Concur therewith.

The following Message by Orders last Night appeared and read
as followth.

By the house of Delegates (May the 15th 1701.
This House Having taken into Consideration the Message of the 15th
Instant by Thomas Jench Esq^r Coll^o Addison Tho^s Brooke Esq^r and Coll^o
Hammonds relating to the free Schoole.

As to that part wherein it is recommended to this house to
consider how the best use may be made of the Schoole house and
that care may be taken for the Councill to sett in this house have
Resolved to refer the same to the next Sessions of Assembly.
And as to that part wherein it is desired that a hand some place