

Sent up to his Excellency & Council of Mr. James Hay and Mr. Joseph Gray

They return and say they delivered the same
 Colo William Holland and Capt. Richard Smith pursuant to ~~an~~ Order of this House
 attended and being called in. The Petition of Capt. Richard Smith was read and
 Colo Hollands Answer to the same and both Parties being called having offered what they
 had to say are ordered to withdraw. Upon Consideration of the House of the Premises
 it is thought fit that a Committee be sent out to enquire into the Premises and make
 Report ^{etc} to the House.

Colo John Conto, Mr John Marshall, Mr John Leach, Mayor Nicholas Lowe and Mr
 Hugh Eccleston are appointed a Committee and ordered to go out and enquire in the
 matter contained in the Petition and to certify and make Report to the House
 their Opinion in that Matter. The Gentlemen being again called in, Mr. Speaker
 informs them that a Committee is appointed to sit at the George where they must give
 their Attendance.

Committee and

Ordered they go out on the Petition. Answer and Plat delivered them.

Upon Motion by Colo Holland for Council to be admitted to argue the Petition & Answer
 before the Committee with which is allowed by the House to both Parties if they think fit.
 Petition of Nicholas Lowe praying Liberty to bring in a Bill for Sale of Lots of
 Land of Mr. ^{for Payment of a Debt road} and debated, and by the House
 rejected.

The Message of Colo Jenkins of the 12th of April last relating to the
 Sentiment of Bigamy ^{etc}

Read and resolved by the House that the Consideration thereof be further referred.

Appeared Capt. George Harris and Mrs Deborah Redgely pursuant to former Order
 of this House and being called in were heard by the House and then ordered to withdraw
 and upon rehearing the Petition of the said Harris, it is resolved the same be rejected

A Bill declaring the Act for erecting Arm Arundel and Oxford Towns, Read the first
 Time and by especial Order do pass.

Bill declaring the Land Law to be in force ^{etc} Read the first Time and by especial
 Order do pass.

Bill for Surrender of Coin, read the first & second Time & do pass

Bill to make null and void a Debt from Thomas Edmondson to William Edmondson,
 Read the first Time ^{and} by especial Order and do pass.

Bill for suspending the Prosecution of Roman Catholics within this Province ^{etc}
 read the first and second Time and do pass.

The foregoing Bills sent up to the Council by Mr Thomas Anisby and Mr Wm Aisquith
 for their Honour's concurrence. They return and say they delivered the Bills.

The Gentlemen appointed to view the Work of the Stat House enter the House and
 make their Report which being read was ordered to be entered and Copy deliv^d

Mr William Bladen. By the Persons for viewing the Work about the Stat
 House April 12th 1706