

The House met according to adjournment: (present as on Yesterday)

Then was read the proceedings of the House on Yesterday.
A Bill for Limitations of certain actions for awarding writs at law
was read the third time pursuant to the Order of Yesterday (with pass.)

Signed for order Tho. Maccremnan Ch. Sec.

The said Bill is sent up to the Hon^{ble} Council by Capt. Dent and Mr.
Purnell. They return and say they delivered the same.

Both Lloyds, both Hollands, both Innes, both Addison, both
Young, both Greenfield, both Whittington John Hall & Richard
Tilghman Esq. from y^e Hon^{ble} Council Deliver Mr. Speaker
the following Address with the Endorsement thereon made viz^t:

To His Excellency the Governor the Hon^{ble} his Majesty's
Council and the Hon^{ble} the House of Delegates
Wee the Rector Gov^r and Visitors of Free Schools met together to consult
the M^o for which we are incorporated and taken into Consideration the great
disadvantage the want of Learning and Education is to the youth of this Province
and that the same may be remedied by settling free schools in every County
thereof. we are heartily concerned that we are obliged to represent unto
this Hon^{ble} assembly that our funds will only enable us to maintain
one school in this Towne and that they are very inefficient to answer
the pious Designe that we are engaged in and therefore wee make
humble application that this laudable work may be taken into
consideration and such means used as the Hon^{ble} assembly
shall think proper to enlarge the funds for the promotion of
Education & Learning.

And Whereas wee meet wth great Difficulty from the great distance
that the severall Members of our Corporation have from one
another and that it is almost impracticable for us to meet and Consult
soe oft as the nature of our Affairs would require; wee humbly submit
to your Hon^{ble} assembly whether it may not be necessary by a new
Law to enable any five or more of us to transact our affairs without
being under a necessity of having a Majority of the Members p^rsent.

Further wee represent to the Hon^{ble} assembly that wee find in one
of the Journalls of the House of Delegates 6th July 1696 enterd that
Mr. Anthony Workman came before the House and gave a hundred
and fifty Pounds ster^l to the building of a house upon a Lot
which his Excell^y had already given together with tenne pounds ster^l
towards building the said house, which is to be enjoyed by the s^d Anthony
Workman during his natural life and remaine over to the use
of free schools - alsoe the said Mr. Workman promised to have all
the Improvements upon the said Lot in goods and sufficient repair.
And in the Journall of the House of Delegates holden in May 1698
p^o 38 & 39. the said Workman enter