

Council Chamber 23<sup>rd</sup> (May) 1715.

Mr. Speaker

I sent Downe a Royall Instruction to the House of Delegates on the 16<sup>th</sup> of this Instant (May) by Capt Lloyd and Capt Small to which no answer has been returned, I desire you will offer it to the Consideration of the House whether three Members being returned for each County to serve in the Assembly will not answer the end proposed by the said Instruction.

J. M. W.

To which the following is prepared in Answer vizt.

By the House of Delegates May the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1715  
May it please your Excellency

The one and Twentieth Article of the Royall Instructions brought downe by Capt Lloyd and Capt Small on the 16<sup>th</sup> and your Message of this day by Capt Addison being considered and debated the Matter therein being new we desire the same may be referred to the Consideration of next Sessions of Assembly by which time we shall better inform our selves of the Conveniency or Inconveniency that will attend such alteration.

Signed for order Tho: Maenemaier Clk. h. del:  
The same is sent up to the Honble Council by Mr. Parson and Mr. Holdsworth - They Returne and say they Delivered the Message. Capt Thomas Greenfield from the Honble Council delivers Mr. Speaker the transcribed Bill declaring how the forty Pounds of Tobacco poll shall be disposed off & with the following Message vizt

By his Excellency of Gov. and Council in Assembly May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1715  
We take notice that in the Preamble of the Act declaring how the forty pounds of Tobacco poll shall be disposed of & & transcribed in Parchment and sent up to this Board to be revised Reference is made therein to an Act of Religion not in force & therefore ought to be Repealed & Amended.

Signed per Order W. Bladen Clk. Council  
Thereupon the same is sent up to the Committee of Laws to be Repealed and Amended accordingly.

The House adjourns till one a Clock in the Afternoon.

Monday Afternoon.

The House met according to Adjournment & sent as in the Morning A Bill relating to Criminally & was read the second time in the House of Delegates pursuant to the Order in the Morning by Special order and will pass and doe Indefid. The same is sent up to the Honble Council by Mr. Wright and Mr. Taylor.

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An Engrossed bill for Attachments & was Read and Assented to by the