

What great and royal Virtues rendered her person (when living) truly Amiable to all his Majesty's Subjects and must render her Name to latest posterity — Among the several Laws that will oblige this Session and may be thought expedient to be received the duty of my Station obliges me, particularly to your case, The bill for purchasing of Army and Ammunition, I can make no doubt of your readiness to continue a fund, which is to provide as far as it will go, in so essential a manner for the safety of this Province and Security of its Inhabitants.

I can not omit participating to you the satisfaction I have had on the receipt of his Majesty's most gracious Order in Council for restoring and preserving peace and quietness on our Borders, And I think it no inconsiderable circumstance of our Happiness, that this Tranquility has been procured by the generous and indulgent care of our Lord Proprietary — without the load of an extraordinary publick Supply, while our Neighbours have raised large Sums for the carrying on of those Disturbances, equally prejudicial to themselves as to us, whatever unhappy Motions may have been instilled in to them by those, whose Interest it was to deceive them, And I hope we may with justice say, that whatever Inclinations to peace our Neighbouring Government might pretend or amuse their people with, or whatever Applications they have seem'd to make to his Majesty, yet this restored peace and quietness are only founded on the humble and sincere instances and desires from this Province — His Lordship has not shewn less Benevolence towards his Tenants in his late Order to his Agent for the settling of the rates of Foreign Gold and Silver to be taken in Discharge of his Quit Rents and Alienation Fines.

Those remarkable Instances of his Lordship's great Goodness are such unquestionable proofs of his sincere Inclinations and Endeavours for the Happiness and prosperity of this Province, that I please my self with the hopes of seeing such Effects from the most perfect mutual good Harmony and Confidence amongst all the Branches of the Legislature, as only can effectually complete the happy Condition of this or any other Country and you may be assured of my utmost Assistance and good Wishes for such a desirable purpose.

M<sup>r</sup>: Speaker and the rest of the Members returned.

The House made choice of M<sup>r</sup>: Michael Macnemara for Clerk —  
M<sup>r</sup>: Dubany and M<sup>r</sup>: Denton ordered to acquaint the Governor this House hath appointed M<sup>r</sup>: Michael Macnemara Clerk to this House, and to desire his Approbation. They return and acquaint M<sup>r</sup>: Speaker, the Governor approved the choice — M<sup>r</sup>: Dubany and M<sup>r</sup>: Denton sent to the Upper House to see M<sup>r</sup>: Macnemara qualify himself as Clerk.

They return and acquaint M<sup>r</sup>: Speaker they saw the said Macnemara qualify himself by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law and by signing the said Oaths, and by repeating and signing the Test and taking the following Oaths.

You Michael Macnemara do swear that as Clerk of the lower House of Assembly you shall true Entries make of all such Matters and Things as by the Honourable Speaker for the time being and that House shall be to you directed, the Secrets of the said House you shall not divulge to the prejudice of the House or any Member thereof, but shall in all Things as Clerk to the said House well and truly demean your self according to the best of your knowledge so help you God.

The House continued M<sup>r</sup>: Thomas Johnson as Sergeant at Arms, and M<sup>r</sup>: Thomas Reynolds as Door-keeper, and ordered that M<sup>r</sup>: Samuel Smith administer to them the several Oaths required by Law — M<sup>r</sup>: Smith acquaints M<sup>r</sup>: Speaker he administered to the said Johnson and Reynolds the several Oaths required by Law, saw them sign the said Oaths and saw them repeat and sign the Test.

The House adjourns till tomorrow morning at 9 of the Clock

Thursday morning May 4<sup>th</sup> 1738

The House met according to Adjournment — The Members were called, All the Members of the Lower House of Assembly were present yesterday — The House agree to the Rules of the House

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