

1666, 1671, 1676, 1681, 1683, 1686, 1688, 1692, 1697, 1699, 1707, and 1703; but that they are in loose Sheets: And we are informed there are several of the Journals of the House of Delegates in the Possession of Mr. Ross, Clerk of the Council, which he said, *Benedict Leonard Calvert*, Esq; when Governor, made him a Present of, and which he is willing to let Mr. *Macnemara*, our Clerk, have to transcribe: And it appearing, that those, and several Journals of this House, in preceding Assemblies, are not now upon Record in the Assembly-Office, we propose to your Honours, that they may be fairly transcribed by the Clerk of this House, in a Book, or Books, well and sufficiently Bound, for their more effectual Preservation; and that he may be allowed a reasonable Satisfaction for the Service, when done; with which we desire your Honours Concurrence, and that he may be enabled to collect and receive the same, on his giving a Receipt to the Secretary of this Province, or to such other Person, demanding it, in whose Possession any of the Journals of this House remain, which are not Recorded already in the Assembly-Office, and that after their being fairly Transcribed into Book or Books, he be obliged to return them without Diminution.

Signed per Order, *M. Macnemara*, Cl. Lo. Ho.

Was sent to the Upper House by Maj. *Hall* and Capt. *Purnell*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Nicholas Goldsborough*, Dr. *Carroll*, and Col. *Collins*, prepare an Address in Answer to the Governor's Message of this Day.

The House adjourns until 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon.

*Post Meridieum.*

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Mr. *Nicholas Goldsborough* delivers Mr. Speaker an Address to the Governor in Answer to his Message of this Day; which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

*Samuel Chamberlain*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the following Message:

By the Upper House of Assembly.

Gentlemen,

June 1, 1744.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to lay before us your Address, in Answer to his Message recommending to you to make a Provision for supplying the Country with Arms and Ammunition for it's necessary Defence; in which Address, you attempt to lay the Blame on this House, for refusing to Pass the Bill you sent up this Session for raising 4d. per Hoghead.

You cannot but be sensible that this House would very heartily concur with yours, in any Measures we could with Honour come into, and that would enable his Majesty's Subjects in this Province to defend themselves, and annoy their Enemies.

You know that the Money heretofore raised to purchase Arms and Ammunition has always been paid into the Hands of the Treasurers by the Naval Officers, and the Application directed by the Governor and Council; you also know that this Money has been justly and honestly applied, and a full and fair Account rendered of it.

After all this we believe the unbiaſſed Part of Mankind will be surprized at the Innovation you endeavour to introduce, especially as the impropriety of it has been sufficiently shewn in our former Messages, to which, were it necessary, we could easily add other Arguments, which seem to us to be very cogent.

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