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At a Councill in a Generall Assembly met and held at the Port of Annapolis (pursuant to Prorogation) the 26th Day of May in the ninth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the Third &ca Annoq Dīni 1697 and by virtue of his Excellency's Proclamation and Order Bearing date the nineteenth day of February last past, being the eighth Sessions and there continued until the 11th day of June after

Present

His Excellency Francis Nicholson Esqr Captain General &ca.

Sir Thomas Lawrence Baronet, Secretary Col. Henry Jowles Col. Nicholas Greenberry.

It being signified that the House was met and Sat pursuant to the above Prorogation it is considered that the first thing they go upon be to view the publick buildings &ca. within this Port in order to give their opinion thereabout whether the same be substantial and Workmanlike and that the several Articles of Agreement Bill of Scantlings for the Church the Justices of the Provincial Court and Grand Juries opinion upon all the said Buildings, &ca. and all other papers relating thereunto laid before them for their better Satisfaction the which was accordingly done and sent by the Clerk of this Board who returnes and says he has delivered the same.

Thursday, May the 27th 1697 The Council again Sate and were Present

His Excellency Francis Nicholson Esq^r Captain General &c^a

Sir Thomas Lawrence Baronet Secretary Col. Henry Jowles Col. Nicholas Greenberry Col. Charles Hutchins

Came from the House of Burgesses Mr. James Crauford and Major Walter Smith who signify that they were sent from the House to acquaint his Excellency that the House are sitting and desire to know the Cause of this their Appearance, who are told that something shall be sent presently