Original Gentlemen
Journal. Col Blok

Col Blakiston our Agent has advised that her Majesty has been pleased to appoint Col John Seymour to be our Governour, and that he designed to Leave England in July or August last in hopes to arrive here early this Month and had desired that the Delegates of Assembly as well as her Ma:ty's Council might be convened in Assembly before the Winter set in Wherefore the Expectation of his Excellency's arrival & that we might meet & Congratulate him is the chiefest occasion of summoning this Assembly to give their attendance at this Time. And now seeing his Excellency is not yet arrived we recommend to the making a Computation of the publick Charge as the most necessary thing now to be done, and suppose it will be the most Easily done by a Committee and believe that all other Matters may be deferred 'till it pleases God his Excellency arrives with us unless Gentⁿ you know of any Business of Moment for her Majesty's Service or that the Interest of her Subjects and Peace and Welfare of the Province requires your immediate Consideration & Debate in which we shall readily Joyn with your House otherwise detain you no longer than is requisite for assessing the publick Levy or appointing a Committee to accomplish it Which We Leave to your prudent Consideration, and Desire your advice & assistance therein, And that you will also Enquire if any temporary Laws will expire for want of reviving & if so that a Bill may be prepared to that End

Mr Speaker & Members took Leave & repaired to their

House

The Board taking into Consideration the right honble the Lord Cornbury's Letters and the several answers from this Board thereunto in Relation to the £300 sterl voted by the General Assembly for the Assistance of New York. And finding that the s^d sum had not yet been remitted for the reason given in their last Letter to his Lordship of the 23^d of June last, and being informed that Col Rob' Quarry who is one of her Majesty's Council of New York was now in this Town who might be a fit Person (by giving a true account thereof to the s^d Governm^t) to rectifye any misapprehension if such should be by occasion of the s^d mony not being yett remitted

The s^d Col Quarry was desired to come to this Board and was made acquainted with the order of the Committee for apportioning the publick Levy An° 1702 & the s^d Letter of the 23^d June last to his Lordsp the L^d Cornbury & promised to give a true acc^t of that matter to his s^d Ldsp. & Governm^t of New York. The Petition of Tho^s Tench Esq^r Adm^r of his Excell. Lyonel Copley Esq^r formerly his Majesty's late Governour of this Province praying the allowance of £116.. 10^s.. 8^d.