

Came Mr Speaker the House being unanimously resolved that three of the members thereof who acquainted his Excellency that the House had received his Proposals sent by the Clerk and that they had appointed a Committee of four of their members to Consider of the same and that he desired that two of his Majesty's honble Council might be Joyned to them to advise and assist therein the said Committee being appointed to sit by seven of the Clock the next morning.

His Excellency does say that two of the Council shall be sent

✓ Friday May the 1st 1696 ✓

The Council again sat and were Presented before with the addition of the honble James Frydlog

This Board being Informed from the House that the Committee yesterday Appointed about the State House were to sit at Mr Blackwells his Excellency is pleased to Appoint the honble Col Geo Robotham and Col Charles Hutchins for to Join with the said Committee for their Assistance and Advice according to the Request and Advice of the House giving directions for their adjournment from that Place to the Council Chamber who accordingly took leave & went

They return together with the Committee appointed viz Major Hammond Major Dorsey Mr Pollard and Mr Jenkins

His Excellency was pleased to ask them whether any thing had been done as yet towards those Proposals laid before them in what manner that no Result has been made thereunto as yet

The said Proposals were by Order read over and after some discourse upon the same had his Excellency does advise that they send for the Bricklayers and the Carpenters for to Consult them what Charge the work in the said Proposals Contained will come to and thereupon the said Committee took leave and departed

Came from the House of Burgesses Captain Tache and Major Thompson who presented Mr Francis Jenkins one of the Burgesses lately Chosen for Somerset County in Order to be sworn and the said Jenkins had administered unto him the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy & subscribed to the Test

Came from the House of Burgesses Major Thompson & Mr Clark who signify the request of the House that his Excellency would be Pleased to send some of the Gentlemen of his Majesty's honble Council with Power to swear members of their House lately returned to serve for Salvoe County and it is told them that some shall be sent