

Resolved that this House will themselves view the same to morrow morning - The House adjourned to a flock to morrow morning.

Thursday (May) the 27th 1694.

The House being met. was ordered to be called over, and the following Members were absent (viz. Capt. Waughep, Mr. Watfon and Mr. Frisby) gone for England, Mr. William Dent. Capt. Philip Hoskins Mr. George Affman, Mr. John Hall, Major Thomas Smith, (Mr. William Comfey), Mr. Francis Jenkins, Mr. Scarborough, (Mr. Dixon, Mr. Bosman, Mr. Hooper, Mr. Hicks, Major Innalls, Major John Thompson and Major William Barton.

Several papers relating to publicke Buildings in that parte being read, and the Opinion of Justices of the Proviencell Court and Gentlemen of the Grand Jury thereupon reads.

Resolved that this House doe concurre with ye said Opinions. that the same is good substantiall rough Worke and that they doe approve thereof.

The Journalls of the Gov^rs proceedings. Rector and Visited of the free Schooles being read is well approved of.

Mr. James Cranford and Major Walter Smith Gent. to his Ex^{ty} to acquaint him the House is sitting and desire to know the Cause of this there appearance.

The said Gentlemen returne to the House and say that they delivered there Message - and that his Ex^{ty} will send down.

The appointed of the Committee of accounts

Major Thomas Smith } Mr. Tho. Taffers and }
Major Walter Smith. } Mr. John Pollard }

Appointed of the Committee of Lawes.

Mr. Philip Black } Mr. Edward Boothby and }
Mr. James Cranford } Mr. Willm. Dent }

Several proposals from his Ex^{ty} the Gov^r Layd before the House and Debated and Resolved thereon as followeth (viz. -

1st That the Reason why his Ex^{ty} has been pleased to convene this Gen^l Assembly at this present Juncture, is because of the noise and disturbances occasioned by the Piscataway Indians, Mattawoman and Chapticoe Indians lately deserting there fforts and withdrawing themselves unto the Mountains.

The Reason of such there Deserting is presumed to be, upon the occasion of the late Murder committed upon Mr. Stodarts Negro Boy at ye Eastern Branch of Potomack in Prince Georges County.

That the said Mischief is conceived to have happened by reason of some grudge upon ye account of Trade.

Therefore proposeth the Assembly will take such Measures