

can legally vote at Elections either actually to Appear in Person or send their names sealed up in Writing to be sent to the Sheriff by him to be broke open at the Election U. H. J.

That M^r Couey be desired to Print his Sermon preached yesterday

That the Treasurers be Obliged to Give security Proposed that the House would Ascertain how many Gallons a Madera pipe shall be reckoned at

The said Proposals were all fair writ out and sent by Colonel Addison and Col^o Courts together with the aforementioned Indenture and other Papers

Brought from the House of Burgesses by Major Dorsey M^r Smith and Major Thompson the following message in relation to New York Business which was read as follows viz^t

By the House of Burgesses May the 8th 1696.

Several Letters from his Excellency our Governor to his Excellency Col^o Benjamin Fletcher his Majestys Governor of New York and also several Letters from his Excellency the said Governor of New York to his Excellency Requiring a further supply from this Province for the Assistance of New York being read the House taking into consideration this Prov^s had addressed his Majesty to be relieved from that Burthen to which Address his Majestys Gracious pleasure is not yet signified and also Reflecting that our selves are under the same and no Greater Obligation than our neighbouring Colony of Virginia who have not as yet advanced any thing although we have advanced the sum of £333..6..8 nor has the said Governor of New York taken any care to make the absolute necessity of such Assistance required apparent to this House and Considering the present ill circumstances of this Province by the great mortality of Cattle Scarceness of Provisions great and Vast debts this Province is Engaged in and also the misfortune of the Fleet expected from England not being yet arrived render us incapable of Affording such Assistance thereupon put the Question if any further supply shall be sent from this province to the assistance of New York. p. 878

Resolved nemine contradicente no further supply be Granted from this Province for Assistance of New York nor any further answer Given to that Government as to that matter until his Majestys Pleasure shall be signified therein

Signed p Order
W Bladen Clk Assembly.