

The house desire his Ex^{cy} will appoint him to read prayers L. H. J.
in some Parish where no minister is Collated and that he may receive a Sallary therefore out of the 40^l of tob^o p poll, not exceeding 10000^l tob^o p Annu^r Sent to his Excellency.

A Bill for Marking of Roades, read the third tyme and passed.

Put to the question and Resolved by Majority of voices that the additional duty of 3^d p hh^d for defraying the publike charge of this province be for one year apply'd to the bnilding of the church at Annapolis.

Put to the question and Resolved that 200^l of the 300^l publike Revenue in S^r Edmond Andros hands be given to the use of free schools in this province, and fifty pounds of the said mony to S^r Thomas Lawrence when he procures the Act for coyns to pass.

Resolved the following Message be sent to his Ex^{cy} and his Maj^{ty}s hon^{ble} Councill.

By the house of Burgesses Sep^t the 30th 1696.

This house have Seriously considered of the Severall proposals made to us by his Ex^{cy} for granting three pence p hh^d more then what is already allowed, and after all our endeavours we find we cannot do it without offering violence to our own Consciences and country, and desire that it may not be ill p. 121resented in us; for we are and always shall be ready to do any thing we can for the Service of our God, King and Country, according to the best of our Judgm^{ts} and reason, and to shew our readiness to contribute to the utmost of our Ability's to the Service of God in building a church and Free schole at Annapolis. We have proposed and Resolved that out of the Revenue raised for defraying the charge of this Province by the 3^d p hh^d one years Revenue thereof be appropriated towards building the Church at Annapolis. And that out of the 300^l Sterl: to be returned to this Province by his Ex^{cy} S^r Edm^d Andros after the 50^l deducted for S^r Thomas Laurence his Sallary as President &c. 50^l more to the s^d S^r Tho^s Laurence if the church, schole law and Coyns pass his Maj^{ty}s royall Assent. The other 200^l we are desirous should be appropriated to the free school at Annapolis; but in case the said act of Religion Schole and Coyns do not pass. We are desirous that, that 50^l also be appropriated to the use of the Free Schole to which we humbly pray his Ex^{cy} & Councill's concurence.

We also humbly Pray the hon^{ble} Councill will with us interceed to his Ex^{cy} to joyne with us in an Address to his Ma^{ty} for reliefe of Severall of his Ma^{ty}s loving Subjects in this province