M^r Coursey & six other members bring up the Congratula-Original tory address to her Majesty which being read and Approved Journal. is sent to the House to be transcribed

Col Maxwell and two other Members bring from the House the following Answer relateing to Esq^r Blaythwaite

By the House of Delegates Sepr 30th 1704

We have again Considered the message touching the honourable William Blaythwayte Esq^r which was resolved the last Sessions and that is that the office was not Erected for our Benefitt nor are we Concerned to support it The Crown that Created the office has annexed a suitable Sallary to it and that we are Sensible of we have a great honour for the Gent. since he is thought worthy of such eminent Employment and as his Ex^{cy} is pleased to say he is ready to receive applications for the Province and we hope while we behave ourselves good Subjects his Justice will Entitule us to his Countenance and any favour he shall be pleased to do us we shall not be backward in a suitable acknowledgem^t of

We wish your Honours knew the publick Stock because you please to press us to several Allowances that we have not mony to answer and therefore we pray your Honours to Inspect the same and then Consider whether we do not the utmost we Can

Signed p order W Taylard Cl Ho. Del.

The Board adjourns to Eight of the Clock to-morrow morning

Monday October the 2^d 1704. Council Sate Present as on Saturday

M^r Cheseldyne at his request have Leave to go home The following Message sent to the House by Col Hammond

By the Council in Assembly October the 2d 1704

It is represented to us that by the bill on foot for Limitting officers Fees the Surveyours are Retrenched in theirs which was not observed when read at this Board we think the former Fees were agreeable to that offices Ingenuity and Trouble and notify the same to the House that the bill might be engrossed with the s^d oversight rectifyed

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Council.