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Letters of Harrison Gray and Harrison Gray, Jr.,
of Massachusetts.

(From originals in the collection of the Virginia Historical Society.)

[Harrison Gray, receiver-general of Massachusetts for some years prior to the Revolution, was a loyalist, and his estate was confiscated. In 1776, at the evacuation of Boston by the British troops, he went to Halifax, and thence to London. He died in England. His daughter Elizabeth married Samuel Alleyne Otis, and was mother of the eminent Harrison Gray Otis.

Harrison Gray, Jr., also a loyalist, was proscribed and banished. John Gray, "Jacky," was, on his return from the voyage referred to in the letters, captured off Newburyport, and for a time, imprisoned. He was in London in 1781.]

HARRISON GRAY TO GIDEON LYMAN.

Boston, Dec^r 29th, 1760.

Sir—You may remember that Col. Pomroy had a warrant on me for billeting his Comp^s, amount^d to 133. 6, 8, wth ~~to~~ his order was paid to you, now Sir you must know that I have paid to Twenty-four of the men their wages, including the billeting,

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF BURGESSES.

SESSION BEGUN NOV. 2, 1685.

[So far as the writer knows, there is no journal of the House of Burgesses for this session, but in the "McDonald Papers," Virginia State Library, is a copy of the journal of the council, sitting as upper house of the General Assembly, copied from the English Public Record Office. The names of a number of burgesses, probably nearly all present, appear in this journal, and are printed. The counties they represented, were, in most cases, easily obtained from other contemporary records.]

Col. William Kendall (speaker), Accomac county.

Major John Stith, Charles City county.

Henry Jenkins, Elizabeth City or York county.

William Wilson, Elizabeth City county.

Col. John Armistead, Gloucester county.

Captain William Randolph and Richard Kennon, Henrico county.

Lt.-Col. Arthur Smith and Henry Applewhaite, Isle of Wight county.

Col. Thomas Ballard, James City county.

Captain William Ball and David Fox, Lancaster county.

Col. Lemuel Mason, and Captain Wm. Robinson, Lower Norfolk county.

Robert Beverley (vacated seat, on election as clerk of the House of Burgesses), Matthew Kemp (elected in place of Beverley), Middlesex county.

John Brasseur and Thomas Lear, Nansemond county.

Col. John West and Richard Littlepage, New Kent county.

Captain John Custis, Northampton county.

Christopher Neale and Captain Peter Knight, Northumberland county.

Col. William Loyd and Arthur Spicer, Rappahannock county.

Major Samuel Swan and Major Arthur Allen, Surry county.

Richard Whittaker and Humphrey Harwood, Warwick county.

Capt. Lawrence Washington and Wm. Hardinge [Hardidge],
Westmoreland county.

Thos. Cheesman and Thos. Barber, York county.

Captain John Smith, William Anderson, John Anderson and Captain Henry Batts [Batte] cannot be, with certainty, assigned to counties. A Captain John West, whose name appears as a member, may have been the same as Colonel John West, of New Kent, or he may have been the John West, who, about the same time, was a justice of Stafford county. The name "Capt. John Casslis," which twice appears, is believed to be an error of the copyist for "Custis." "Capt. John Lear," also appears as a member. This may be a mistake for Thomas Lear, or John Lear may have been elected during the session to fill a vacancy from Nansemond county. Thomas Lear was certainly a member.

SESSIONS OF 1720 AND 1722.

[From a list—apparently contemporary—in the collection of the Virginia Historical Society. The General Assembly met November 2, 1720, and—by prorogation—on May 9, 1722.]

Accomack. Mr. John Teackle (deceased), Mr. Solomon Ewell.

Charles City. Mr. John Stith, Mr. Samuel Harwood, Jr.

Colledge. Mr. Thomas Jones.

Elizabeth City. Mr. James Ricketts, Mr. Anthony Armistead.

Essex. Mr. John Hawkins, Mr. Richard Covington.

Gloucester. Mr. Henry Willis, Mr. Nathaniel Burwell (deceased).

Henrico. Mr. Wm. Randolph, Mr. Thos. Randolph.

Isle of Wight. Mr. William Bridges, Mr. Arthur Smith.

James City. Mr. Archibald Blair, Mr. John Clayton.

Jamestown. Mr. William Brodnax.

King William. Mr. John Waller, Mr. Thos. Johnson.

King and Queen. Mr. George Braxton, Mr. Robert Beverley (deceased).

Lancaster. Mr. Wm. Ball, Mr. James Ball.

Middlesex. Mr. John Grymes, Mr. Gawin Corbin.