

said proclamation, went out two days, to meet them in Expectation of having the Happiness to proclaim it, But Major Gold and Mr Fitz Missing them, having put the proclamation into Captain Leisler's hands, he, without taking any notice of the Council or convention did proclaim the same, though very disorderly after which he went, with his accomplices into the fort, and the Gentlemen of the Council Magistrates and most of the principal inhabitants, and Merchants went to Col Bayard's House and drank the health and Prosperity of King Wm and Queen Mary—with great expressions of Joy.

Two Days after a Printed Proclamation was procured by some of the Council dated the 14 Feby 1688, whereby their Majesties confirmed all Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace Collectors, and receivers of the revenue &c—being protestants which was forthwith Published at the City Hall by the Mayor and Alderman, accompanied with the Council and most of the Chief Citizens and merchants—and Pursuant there unto Matt Plowman Being a Papist was forthwith Suspended by the Convention and Colonel Bayard Alderman Paul Richards Captain, Thomas Winham Lieut John Haynes merchants, were by them commissioned and appointed to Collect the Revenue until orders Should arrive from England, whereupon those gentlemen were Sworn by Coll Cortlandt, then Mayor of the City they being the first in this province that took the oaths to their Majesties Appointed, by act