

Several Amendm^{ts} Necessary for the Bill for Advancement of Trade— U. H. Journal
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1st In the Second and third Article for Purchasing of Town Land, there is no saving for any Mans Dwelling Plantation which seems Severe to be Compelled from him against his Will—

2^d In the fourth Article Notwithstanding every person that may happen to be Concerned must Submitt to part with such Land as shall be made Choice on by the Commissioners, yet there is no ready payment proposed, but every such Person left to be paid in such Parcels and at such rate as every Lott shall be taken up of which Payment he is noways Secured ;

3^d That if the said fifty Acres be Divided into one hundred Lotts of half Acre in a Lott, then no Streets can be Admitted, if Streets first Laid out, then every Lott will be too small for the Building a Dwelling house, Warehouse and Necessary Yard ; which must certainly Discourage every Person Settling in the said Towns—

4th The Matter contained within the Parenthesis in the 10th Article is hardly good Sense, Seeming to Oblige the Owners of the Severall Goods & Merchandizes to be Delivered at the Towns, whereas We Suppose it is intended that the several Toba^o or other Goods should by the owners thereof be brought to the Towns before any Sale or Disposall made thereof, and not that any Tobacco or other Goods should be first sold and then fetcht by the Purchaser, and barely Delivered at such Town by such Purchaser and immediatly Shipped again Contrary to the Design of this Act, which Notwithstanding will be putt in generall practice if not well provided against

5th By the words of the 12th Article the Sheriff or Collector of the Publick dues are Obliged to Disburse their whole Salaries for the Transporting such Publick Debts to the Town whereby nothing will remain to themselves for their Collections

6th By the 11th Article Any Person that shall Build a house in the Town Pursuant to this Act, may have his own Tobacco Shutt out by the first Comers, and yet he made lyable to secure their Tobacco, Enough to sett the Inhabitants together by the Eares—

7th That the Delegates for the Severall Counties (without having first well Considered and Advised upon it in their Counties) Cannot take upon them to advise his Lordship to pitch upon any Certain places for Towns & Ports as aforesaid p. 463

8th It appears upon the whole that notwithstanding it is intended that no Planter may Dispose of his Tobacco at home as heretofore used, under the Penalty of forfeiting it, yet is there no reasonable way laid down how he shall be Enabled to bring it to the Town, or house, and Secure it when brought there—

Signed p. Order Tho Grunwin Cl of the Lower house