

Ditto the same of the S. W. part of Pensilvania & is of near Inlet to the Great Bay of Chesapeak & safe Passage to the Atlantick Ocean. I have wrote to M^r Lloyd to hold the property not granted there, Q^{ueen} any belon^s to the Lord Proprietor not filch'd by Grant in the late Lords time, if any stop the Land office from Grant on that acc^t until his Lord^s rec^t of Instruction. The consideration con^s Cities & Towns as to Land Property is I fear too late I conceive of Citys already Plan'd & admitted I fear *Nickels* to the Lord Paramount tho' all especially citys admitted on his soil at first, had men as Rec^r Gen^{ls} been Honb^{le} & assiduous with circumspection Both as to scituation of Land & to reserve Properties on the Behalf of the Lord Proprietarys a very Large Revenue must have flown. I am aware of answ^r proceeding from neglect & it is from them who have been Trusted & well paid, in conscience & in Duty Bound to fair transactions. I am not wanting in Judgem^t of the practice almost general, of self interest prevalent in Humane Passion, yet I am puzzled the admittance of others in Breach of trust belon^s to them in faithful discharge to their good friend & master & perhaps to whom they owe all their Happiness derived; the check to their wrongs would have been prevented had there a been Originally a proper office of Rec^r Gen^t it wo^d a check'd the Land office. Inquirys from hence wo^d a flown for Intelligence how to form Instructions? from time to time of & con^s the value & conduct for the well & honest Being of his Lord^s provincial Property, bet: Man & Man, as well in regard to all other pecuniary concerns appertaining to his Lord^p for want of such office & attendance their to write for Knowledge, almost all such valuable consideration is involved in a Chaos. write con^s to M^r Lloyd ab^t Deeds & copys of Leases &c^a he says he can't find these transactions of his predecessors as Rec^r Gen^t; write to M^r Presid^t Tasker he answ^{rs} he believes they were transactions of his Predecessors. all Non est inventus; on remove they deliver no Instruction Let^{rs} Deeds nor Papers &c^a of & belon^s to his Lord^s Property in Gen^t thereof Nickels to the Successor, this has been the practice done successively & is so & will remain closed up in Ignorance, & for want of Deeds &c^a upon Tryals at Law his Lord^p must be cast, Non-suited & Laugh'd at. How alarming, big with Destruction! Sufferance not to be Borne. y^r Bills of Exch. amot^s to £125 I much thank you for inclosed. It is satisfaction to hear by y^{rs} the 10th of Nov^r that the Inspection Law ab^t Tobacco has passed the Assembly agreeable to the Statute of Queen Anne as to foreign Coin ad Valor, and that the damage by the preced^s Bill touching Officers fees is foiled by the New Law. the continuance of this Law I observe your rem^dation of it By speech in October