

Original Journal. any thing provided he did not charge the Subject wth any ffee, whoe makes Answer that he shall Charge noething to the people, save for searches to Recompence his Troubles not Requirring any Coppyes of Certificates; Agreed upon that there be noe ffees taken on either side but that an Acco^t be kept of the same till his Maj^{ties} pleasure be knowne therein and that a Recipricall Law be made that if the same be awarded to S^r Thomas Laurence, he may have Execucōn therefore, But if to his Lo^p that then his Agent doe Receive the benefit thereof His Ex^{ncy} proposes for the further settleing of Land Affaires that if his Lops Officers for Surveying & Resurveying of Land will qualifye themselves according to Law that then the said Officers may be the Gen^l Surveyo^{rs} for the whole province (by Reason that if the same should not be done by his Lo^{ps} Surveyo^{rs} the people would not have the benefitt of takeing up the Surplusage Land) the said Surveyo^{rs} giving security to the Govern^t for the same & thereupon M^r Richard Smith his Lo^{ps} Surveyo^r Gen^l was sent for and Acquainted therewith to Consult & advize about the same.

p. 38 Read the following Bill delivered at the Board Viz^t An Act for Tunnage & ascertaining Navall Officers ffees Resolved that a Conference about the same with the house be desired and that the Navall Officers and Collectors doe set up in their severall & Respective Offices a Table of ffees which shall be ascertained and Settled upon them by an Act of this province this p^{sent} Assembly, to be fairely Writ out & Signed by his Hono^r the Secretary or Deputy for the time being and that a penalty be inflicted upon the Officer exacting about those ffees Assessed

Adjornve till to Morrow Morning

Wednesday October 10th 1694.

Covncill again Sate & were all present Except Coll Browne His Ex^{ncy} acquaints the Board that by the Hono^{ble} the Sollicit^r Gen^{ls} Report & his Sacred Maj^{ties} Order in Covncill thereon, Read yesterday at this Board; the Records of this province w^{ch} are of publick Vse to preserve the Inhabitants Title to their Lands should be kept vnder the Custody of the Govern^r; therefore a Conference with the House is desired about the same, where is the properest place to keepe the said Records in seeing his Maj^{ty} has noe House for the Govern^r nor fortified place

Coll Browne appears at the Board.

Ordered that Coll Henry Darnall his Lo^{ps} Agent have free Access & Recourse at all times, either by himselfe or any