

peaceable Possession of the one thousand Acres of Land Lib. 41.
according to their Petition Signed p Order
W Bladen Cl. Council.

Which being here read Ordered it be thus indorsed viz.

By the House of Delegates May the 18th 1705

Upon reading the above Petition the House resolves that a Warrant be sent to the Queen's Surveyor of Somerset County to lay out one thousand Acres of Land for the Petitioners where they are now Settled and return Cert. of the Bounds thereof to this House that it may be settled upon the Petitioners &^{ta} if his Excellency & Council think fit to concur therewith Signed p Order W Taylard Cl. Ho. Del.

Sent up to the Council by Major John Taylor & M^r John Waters. They return & say they delivered the same.

The Answer to his Excellency's Speech being brought into the House was read & approved of and ordered to be entered Viz.

By the House of Delegates May the 18th 1705.

May it Please your Excellency,

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We her Majesty's dutiful & loyal Subjects the Representatives of the several Counties of her Majesty's Province of Maryland now convened in a general Assembly do give y^r Ex'cy our hearty Thanks for your gracious Speech made to us at the Opening of this Sessions; and do assure your Excellency, that we are now, and shall be at all Times ready to the utmost of our Abilities to join with your Ex'cy & the Hon^{ble} Council in whatsoever shall be reasonably proposed to prevent Rebellions & Disturbances and to settle & establish Peace & Tranquility which so much concerns her Majesty's Honour & our own Good & Welfare. And in Order thereunto we are resolved to enquire into the Particulars of the Magazine how much Powder and other Materials has been provided for the publick Use & to whom it has been delivered & how & what is become of it.

S^r We have already had abundant Assurance of your Excellency's great Justice & Candour towards us, but we beg Leave to tell you that you've created in us new Motives to thank you for the Promise you've made to us. What is seperated for the publick Use shall not be disposed of to any