

U. H. J. Mr Hodson and Mr Dashield brought up a Bill for the rein-
 p. 20 vesting Mary and Ann Seward Daughters & Coheirresses of
 W^m Seward late of Dorchester County dec^d Son and Heir of
 George Seward formerly of the s^d County in a certain Tract
 of Land in Dorchester County called Sectar. Read in their
 House the first & Second times and Endorsed by especial
 Order will pass

Which Bill being read at the Board and the Lord Proprietary's Interest seeming to be concerned therein His Excellency is pleased to order a Summons to be sent to Charles Carroll Esq^r his Ldship's Agent to appear at this Board at three of the Clock in the Afternoon to offer what he has to say for his Lordship on the second reading of the af^d Bill which in the meantime is Ordered to lye on the Table

Whereupon summons was accordingly issued

The Petition of John Leatherwood of Baltimore County being read at the Board setting forth his great Age & Poverty and praying to be discharged from paying his Levys

And the Petitioner being represented to have been a good Liver and now a very poor honest Man is by his Excellency and this Board recommended to the Justices of Baltimore County Court to consider his Case & discharge him from paying his Levy

The honble Col W^m Holland came and was added to the Board

The Board adjourned till nine of the Clock to Morrow morning

Tuesday May the 3^d 1715

p. 21 The Honble his Majesty's Council Sate Present as yesterday

The Petition of Major John Hawkins & Mr John Salter being read praying the Judgement of his Excell^{ty} and this Board whether Free white women marrying with negro Slaves ought to be Slaves also

Whereupon the Honble Col W^m Whittington offers to the Consideration of the Board that there was a Law made in Virginia imposing a Fine of twelve pound on any Person that should set a negro free, And in Case the negro so sett free did not depart the Colony in a certain time in the said Law Limited, such negro so sett free should be taken up by the Vestry and Sold as a Slave and the mony applyed to the use of the Parish

His Excellency being pleased to communicate to the Board one of her late Majesty's royal Instructions to him and which