

By the House of Delegates
May the 28th 1715

L. H. J.

May it please your Excellency & Honours,

We have read with great Satisfaction the Bill proposed by your Excellency and Honours for ascertaining the Bounds of Land within this Province the first and second Time, and as we find the same to be an excellent, well, and ingeniously devised Bill, and tending to the Good and Welfare of this Province, the reducing the same unto Practice being particularly owing to your Excellency's Speech to the House of Delegates in October Assembly last, so we hold ourselves bound to render your Excellency and Honours our most hearty Thanks for devising so useful a Law; as Nothing that is new can be perfect at it's first Invention; We humbly propose the following Amendments which we hope your Excellency and Honours, on Consideration will find useful for putting the said Law in Practice with which the said Bill will pass Viz. Page 3. 18 Line, or Part or Parcel of any Tract or Tracts of Land. Page 3. 21 Line, any ways interested in Such Dispute Page 7. 15 Line, on each of. In the same Page 16th Line a Clause to be added for Sheriffs Coroners &^{ta} to pay due Obedience to the Commissioners as to the Provincial Court which is herewith sent. And a Proviso that where Bounds have been settled or determined before this Time by Law, Suits, Arbitrations or otherwise, such Determination appearing upon Record, shall, as so settled and determined remain and continue unaltered and be no ways subject to any Alteration whatsoever by Virtue of this Act, and notwithstanding this Law, the Provincial Court may determine all Actions of Trespas & Ejectment already depending before them or which shall be commenced before the first Day of June Seventeen hundred and Sixteen against Persons beyond Seas but the Law so far as it concerns the People of this Province to be in force immediately after the End of this Sessions. p. 572

Signed p Order Tho^s Macnemara Cl. Ho. Del.

The same is sent up, and the Bill, to the Hoñble Council by M^r Tyler, Col^o Mackall, M^r Hill, Major Wilson, Cap^t Mariarte, M^r Wright, Capt Ballard, Capt. Trippe and M^r Hopkins.

They return and say they delivered the Bill & Message.

Philemon Lloyd Esq. from the Hoñble Council delivers M^r Speaker a Bill for Direction of Sheriffs in their Offices and restraining their ill Practices within this Province thus in-dorsed Viz.