

L. H. J. payed the consideration money (Viz) 80th Sterling Wee answer you that Hester Bridger the Widdow and Ex^r of Joseph Bridger Esq^r deceased after the death of the said Joseph Bridger did by her deed under her hand and Seal bearing date the 3^d day of July 1686 which was Sent to your house with this Bill acknowledge the receipt of the said Consideration and thereof Discharged the said Thomas Jones and it cannot be denied but she had power So to doe, and more over those that opposed the passing of the bill in this house owned that all the Consideration money to about 38th Ster. was payed by the said Thomas Jones in his life time and Since the said Jones by his last will gave all his personal Estate to his wife Except some small legacies which Estate amounted to above 300th Sterl and owed but few debts which also appears It is but Just that she or M^r Catherwood that had that Estate by marrying her should pay his debts whereof the said 38th was part wherefore it is hoped the bill will pass.

Signed p order Tho: Macnemrra Cl: lo: ho:

Sent up by M^r Charles Wright, M^r Brannock and M^r Waghup, Who return and say they delivered it

Co^l W^m Holland, Co^l Coursey, Co^l Ennalls and L^t Co^l Young from the Up^r House deliver M^r Speaker the following.

By the Up^r house of Assembly
Aug^t 2^d 1716

It being represented by his Ex^{ncy} the Governour to this house that by the omission of the R^t Honb^{le} the Lord Prop^{ry} and his Guardian's Agent in England their Lordships have not yet sent any Instructions or authority into this Province Either in case of the death or absence of the Governour where the power of the Governm^t shall be lodged or who shall execute the same, That as his Ex^{ncy} the present Governour has been formerly in great danger of his life by severall violent fitts of Sickness there may happen great prejudice and Confusion among the people upon his death if it should please God he should dye before the Lord Prop^{ry} and his Guardian by some speciall instruction make provision therefor—This house doe unanimously Resolve that the not sending into this Province such powers and Instructions for the administration of the government here in case of his Ex^{ncy} the present Governour's death or absence is a great omission in his Lordship's Agent and Conceive that the Ill consequences of such neglect at present cannot be otherwise provided for than by an Act of Assembly directing where the said powers shall be lodged and how executed untill his Lordship the R^t Honb^{le} the Lord