

U. H. J. It is hard to restrain any master or Owner to sett free any well deserving negro or molatto Slave, for probity in such Persons is by that means discouraged, no master or Owner being at Liberty Otherwise to recompence the good Actions of a well deserving Slave therefore we cannot agree to that Clause. But least any prejudice may happen by any manumission We are willing to add a Clause imposing a Fine of one thousand pounds of Tob^o on all Free negros & molattos That shall Entertain or harbour any Servant or Slave for every night or twenty four Hours to be recovered by Bill Plaint &c one half thereof to the King &c for the use of the Freeschools of this Province and the other to the Party grieved And if such offending Free molatto or negro has not Estate Sufficient immediately to Satisfy such penalty He shall be sold for and towards satisfying the same as af^d by the Justices of the respective County Courts that hear & determine the said Bill &c And also one other Clause imposing a Fine of five thousand pounds of Tobacco on any minister or magistrate or other Person or Persons whatsoever that shall marry any negro whether Bond or Free or any molatto Slaves to any white Persons the said fine as af^d And to be to the use of the Free schools to which we pray your Honours Concurrence

Signed p order Tho^s Macnemara Cl H Del

Which being read and Debated this Board do agree there-
 p. 96 to And the Bill being so Endorsed was sent to the Delegates by L^t Col Tilghman

Cap^t Trippe & M^r Stone brought from the Delegates a Bill for securing Persons Rights to Town Lands, And a Bill causing Grand & Petite Jurors and Witnesses to come to the Provincial & County Court and ascertaining their Allowances

Read in their House the first & second times by especial Order & Endorsed will pass

M^r Harrison and M^r Stone brought up two Engrossed Bills Assented to by their House Viz

A Bill for punishment of Blasphemy Swearing & Drunkness.

And A Bill for rectifying the Ill Practices of Attorneys in this Province And ascertaining Fees to the Attorney General Clerk of Indictments Attornys & Practitioners of the Law in the County Courts of this Province and for levying the same by way of Execution

Read in their House & assented to by the Delegates Which was Read & assented to by this Board And the honble L^t Col Young sent to acquaint the Delegates thereof

The Board adjourned till nine of the Clock to morrow morning