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Lib. No. 86 these Instructions, and if your Lordship shall ultimately approve of them, or think proper to order their being remitted with Amendments, We humbly Submit, whether it may not be expedient to point out the Duties, and constitute the Powers, of this Board by a particular Commission adapted to these Purposes, and especially with respect to the superintending Authority Thereof.

It becomes necessary in consequence of a recent very extraordinary Occurrence, to represent to your Lordship, that the Rev^d M^r Bennet Allen, the late Agent, was by the most explicit terms of his Commission, required to obey, & observe such Orders and Directions, as He should from time to time receive from this Board, and his Duty herein was, moreover, enforced by the Bond He passed. We therefore thought ourselves fully authorized to call upon this Gentleman to render an Account of the Sums He had received and remitted, and that it was incumbent upon us, out of that Duty we owe your Lordship, the rather to take this Step, considering the Nature of the Agent's Office, and that He had given no Security for his just and faithful Performance of it.

For the Steps taken by the Board on the one Hand and by M^r Allen on the other, we beg leave to refer your Lordship to the Copy, now also transmitted, of our order, as well as of the Letters, Depositions and other Proceedings, on this Occasion, without troubling your Lordship with any Comments or Animadversions, which if confined within a small Compass, might be imperfect, and, if expressive of our full sense, might be too Prolix.

We have the Honour to be with the utmost Respect, my Lord,

Your Lordship's most Obed^t Obliged & faithful Humble Servants

January 2^d 1769

P. 73 At a Meeting of the Board of Revenue. Present

His Excellency Hor Sharpe Esq^r The Hon. Daniel Dulany, Esq^r

The Hon. Walter Dulany, Esq^r and George Steuart, Esq^r

The Board agree to meet annually on the Twenty fifth Day of March, the first Tuesday in June and the third Tuesday in October in order to consider and Determine such Matters as may have occurred, in the intermediate Time, relative to the Management of His Lordship's Revenue; as also to attend, on notice to be given by the Clerk, at other Times in case any