

The Board, finding that no Person of Property will Farm the Quit Rents of Baltimore County any longer on the same Terms as heretofore, determine to give 15 p Cent on the Collection thereof and order the Clerk to write M^r Thomas Jones, late Farmer, to that Effect. Lib. No. 86

The Board, from intimation given Them, having reason to believe that M^r William Smith, Steward of His Lordship's Manors and Reserve in Baltimore County, has not faithfully discharged his Duty, in that Office: It is the Opinion of the Board, that he ought to be called upon to come down & answer such objections as shall be then made to his Conduct, of which the Clerk is ordered to give him Notice. p. 82

The Clerk delivers to the Board, the Petition of Thomas Pearson for a Lease on two small parcels of Land part of the Reserve in Baltimore County deserted by the former Tenants, which is Granted for the remainder of the Term on his paying up the remainder of the back Rents to this Time.

The Small Pox being in M^r Jones' Family at Baltimore Town. Ordered, That Alexander Lawson Esq^r Clerk of Baltimore County, do Witness his signing a Receipt on the Duplicate of his Commission as Farmer of said County.

The Board adjourn to Thursday the 11th of May next.

May 11th 1769.

The Board met according to adjournment.

Present. His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r

The Hon^{ble} Daniel Dulany, Esq^r

The Hon^{ble} Walter Dulany, Esq^r

The Petition of John Tillotson, praying leave on a Resurvey, to include a small Vacancy lying within three Miles of His Lordship's Manor in Queen Ann's County, is read, as also a Certificate from Jonathan Hall, late Surveyor of said County, by which it appears that the Vacancy prayed for, contains only Nineteen Acres, entirely surrounded by ancient Tracts, and the Land being of a very indifferent Quality, the said Petition is Granted. p. 83

The Governor lays before the Board a Letter which his Excellency received, the 10th Instant, from The Rev^d M^r Bennet Allen of which the following is a Copy.

Sir,

If anything could astonish me that happens to me in this Country, it would be the arrest I was put under on Wednesday last, at the Horse Race, in the face of the whole Province at the Suit of the Lord Proprietary. And tho' I am far from