

the Clerk do write M^r Hanson to attend the Board on Monday Lib. No. 86
the 26th day of March next.

M^r Jordan applies to the Board for Orders to be issued to the several Farmers of Quit Rents, requiring them to pay the same Bills of Exchange and Specie as they may receive from his Lordship's Tenants in discharge thereof.

In answer to which, The Board inform M^r Jordan, that as the Farmers Act under Articles which leave it in their option p. 102 to pay the Agent in Cash or good Bills of Exchange and have only given Bond for the performance of said Articles, that until such Contracts shall be expired no other Clause can be inserted; but that in future Contracts they may be compelled to pay according to Receipt.

M^r Jordan represents to the Board that the Hon^{ble} Ben^t Calvert and John Beale Bordley, Esq^r are in possession of Land lying in, and adjoining the City of Annapolis, and that he has reason to believe his Lordship has never been divested of his legal Title thereto, and therefore, as his Lordship's Agent, desires the Sentiments of the Board what Steps he ought to pursue for the regular and speedy recovery thereof.

M^r Calvert withdraws from the Board.

The Board are of opinion, that the proper Method of proceeding will be for M^r Jordan to lay a full state of the matter before the Attorney General who will make a Report thereof, give his opinion at large and Reasons therefor to this Board, for their further Consideration.

M^r Jordan also represents to the Board, that Doc^r David Ross, who made a purchase of part of Conocohegue Manor & Reserve, from his Lordship's Commissioners, alledges, that part of his purchase, lying within the Reserve, is claimed by Mess^{rs} Samuel & Bennet Chew as being within the bounds of a Tract of Land called Chew's Farm, which is the Reason he has only as yet made his first payment therefor.

Ordered, that the Clerk, by Letter, do acquaint Doc^r Ross, that it is incumbent on him to shew how & in what manner his Purchase is affected, that his Lordship may not suffer by lying out of his Money for any part of the Sales made by his Commissioners.

The Farmers of Quit Rents in Talbot & Dorchester Counties whose former Contracts are expired, represent to the Board that they cannot continue to Farm the Rents on Account of some part of the Articles issued being, to them, very exceptionable, particularly the 4th Article (vide Pa: 48) That they are willing annually to return the fair Debt Book they receive from the Rent Roll Keeper, insert therein all the Re- p. 103