

Coll Addison from the Upper House delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker L. H. J. the Bill for freeing the Inhabitants from Duties on Negroes & thus Endorst Viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly

August the 3<sup>d</sup> 1721.

This Bill being Read, will pass.

Signed p Order John Beale Clk. Up Ho.

Which was Read again Past for Engrossing and sent to the Committee of Laws to be Engrost

Coll Ward from the Upper House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the Bill for Relief of Richard Thatcher thus Endorst Viz:

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Gentlemen.

We have heard both Parties for and against the within Bill and heard and Considered Sundry Matters of Evidence in Relation thereto; & have Great Reason to believe that the Act Entituled An Act Empowering Robert Roberts of Queen Ann's County to Sell part of a Tract of Land lying in Cecill County called New Munster late the Land of Daniel Toaes for the uses therein Mentioned, and to make Good and Valid such Sale formerly obtained by Robert Roberts for the Sale of Daniel Toaes's Land Called New Munster was Obtained by ill Practice and Upon false Suggestions; But we are likewise of Opinion, that a great Regard ought to be had to the Purchasers for Valuable Considerations, without Notice of the Present Dispute under the same Act: for that the Publick Faith and Justice of the Country are Deeply Concerned therein and therefore we referr the Passing the within Bill p. 58 untill the next Sessions; by which Time we purpose to Enquire whether there be Sufficient of the s<sup>d</sup> Land to Satisfie the Demands of Thatcher and Massey that remain unsold by Virtue of the said first private Act; and Also to Enquire into the Conduct of the persons Concerned in Carrying on and Obtaining the said first mentioned Bill And in Order thereto we have Resolved, that Orders from this House do Issue for such persons as the Parties shall require, And Thatcher Continue in Possession till the next Sessions. According to the former Order, And that the Several Depositions and Evidences offerred concerning the same be Entered and Journald in the Proceedings of this House at the End of the Journal.

Signed p Order. John Beale Cl. Upp. Ho