

L. H. J. They return and Say they Delivered it

Coll: Holland from the Upper House Delivers M^r Speaker the following Message Viz:

By the upp^r House of Assembly 8^{ber} the 31st 1722
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p. 63 In Answer to yo^r Message of the 25th Instant by M^r Benj^a Mackall and Cap^t Hooper we think it proper to put you in mind of the previledges of our House which is invested with a right & equall share of power in raising and Appropriating the publick Money and if it would not Consume too much of our Time at present, should lay before you the evil consequences of making such possitive Agreements as yo^r House has lately done wth Major Sewall with out having first Conferred with our House Thereupon in a Parliamentary way by which means we seem to be excluded [of] our Right of Judging of the Equity and Justice of the Severall sums to be Levied on the people which practice we hope you will Carefully avoid for the future.

As to what relates to the Vallue of the Land or to the Execucon of any release therefore to the publick by Major Sewall, we do not conceive the said Sewall to have any such right to that Land as will Qualifie him for the making any such release thereof nor Entitle him to so great a price as Thirty Thousand pounds of Tobacco Agreed for by your House. We therefore propose that Three Thousand pounds of Tobacco p hundred Acres together with five hundred pounds of Tobacco Charges thereon be allow'd to the s^d Sewall for such Right as his Ancesters formerly had unto the s^d Land before they were Estoped therein by the Act for the Continuance of Peace with and protection of our Neighbours and Confederate Indians in Choptank River Viz: That all that Land Lying and being on the South side of Choptank River &^a shalbe unto the said Ababco Hatsawap & Tequasimo and the people under their Government or Charge and their Heirs for ever any Law usage Custom or Grant to the Contrary hereof in any wise Notwithstanding.

Sign^d p Ord^r S: Skippon Cl Up. Ho.

Coll: Ward from the upper House Delivers M^r Speaker the following Message Viz:

By the upp^r House of Assembly Octo^r the 31st 1722
Gentlemen.

In Answer to your Message this Day by Col: Mackall and five others This House does Appoint Coll: Mathew Tilghman