

L. H. J. Read with the Amendments proposed and past for Engrossing And was sent to the Committee of Laws to be Engrost.

Coll^o Ward & Thomas Bordley Esq^r from the Upper House Deliver M^r Speaker the Supplementary Bill to the Act Ascertain-
p. 43 taining the bounds of Land with the following Message Viz:

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 25th 1720

Gentlemen Upon Reading & Considering the Supplementary Act to the Act for Ascertaining the bounds of Land in this Province prepared by your House and sent us by M^r Lee and Six Others of Your House, we are of opinion that there are Several Omissions and Imperfections in that Bill which ought to be Supply'd which are as followeth.

In the first Sheet We observe you have Invested the Comissioners of Review with a power of hearing and Determining all Appeals to them made, upon any Judgement hereafter to be given by the Comissioners of the first View and Likewise to review and reverse or Affirm any Judgment heretofore Given by the Comm^{rs} of the first View against w^{ch} Petitions have been preferred to this Assembly but have Excluded all others from the previledge of a review Altho' phaps They may be as much Injured by Judgments formerly given as those who have Already Petitioned whose Submissiveness to the Law ought not to Turn to their Prejudice.

And that the Clause in the same Sheet w^{ch} Assignes to Comissioners & other Officers their ffees is Ambiguously Express w^{ch} ought to be Explained by these words or such like (to the Comm^{rs} and other Officers upon the first View) In the same Sheet the Land Comissioners are made Liable to a Fine of Five hundred pounds of Tobacco for w^{ch} they may be prosecuted in the Provincial Court. This we think unreasonable that they should be Exposed to so great Trouble and Charge for so small a fine and propose, that it may be made Cognizable in the County Courts only.

In the Second Sheet, where Provision is made to Supply the want of any Comm^{rs} of the first View or the Review, who are not Qualified to Act in particular Cases by the Choice of new ones, the Decision of such Comissioners of the first View as well as of the Review is made final which we take to be Contrary to the Intention of the Law. And we further think it necessary that Provision should be made, that in Case of Sickness Difference of Opinions, or any other Accident any two of the Three Com^{rs} of Review may have power to receive Appeales and Give Judgment thereon &c. And Likewise that
p. 44 provision be made how the Disputable Bounds of Lands which Lye partly in two Counties shal be Determined.