

L. H. J. against Philemon Lloyd Esq^r or not the same was Carried in the Affirmative.

Resolved that the Committee be Empowered to Send for all Papers Records and Persons Necessary to give a Light into the Affair

The whole House Resolved it Self into a Grand Committee
M^r Speaker Left the Chair.

Whereupon the Committee Proceeded to Choose a Chairman and unanimsly make Choice of James Harris Esq^r as Chairman who took his Place in Pursuance thereof.

The Committee Proceeded to Choose a Clerk and Appoint M^r Michael Macnemara.

M^r Speaker reassumed the Chair

James Harris Esq^r from the Committee of the Whole House Delivers to M^r Speaker the following Report Viz.

By the Committee of the Whole House July 30th 1729

It Appears to this Committee that Philemon Lloyd Esq^r hath taken upon him, upon Petition and Entry of Caveats to hear and Determine Several Controversys in the Land Office Concerning the Granting of Patents for Land Claimed by Several of the Inhabitants of this Province and that when a Person hath obtained a Warrant out of the Land Office Paid his Lordship the Right Honble the Lord Proprietarys Dues and all other fees and Dues that have Arose due in the Land Office for Issueing Warrants if any Person think fit to Enter a Caveat in the Land Office against Granting a Patent, that a Patent is Stay'd by such Caveat untill the Parties are heard before the said Philemon Lloyd Esq^r unless the same is withdrawn or the Party Entering the same Neglects upon Summons or Notice to Appear thereto.

It Appears that the Lord Proprietary during his residence in this Province Exercised the Power of Granting Lands in the Same Manner as M^r Lloyd Appears to us to have done

It also Appears to this Committee that Several Persons Viz. Coll^o Henry Darnall Coll^o W^m Diggs Maj^r Nicholas Sewall and M^r John Darnall were in the Year 1684 Appointed by Commission of the Lord Proprietary to hear and Determine Concerning Land Affairs, And they by Virtue thereof Exercised a Power of Granting or Denying Patents on Petitions It Also Appears to this Committee that Coll^o Darnall was Appointed as Agent for his Lordship in his Land Affairs About the years 1687 and 1688.

It also Appears to the Committee that Charles Carroll Esq^r Deceased was Appointed his Lordships Agent in Land Affairs about the Years 1710 or 1711.