London he hath laid before us likewise a paper without Date either L. H. J. as to time or place which he is pleased to term the Copy of an Instruc- Lib. No. 45 tion that Appears to us to have been a Consideration had upon foreign whole and Cut Gold long since and if ever hath not of late been made the Rule of his Conduct as Appears by Instructions he hath Delivered to Severall of the farmers & receivers we find our selves Obliged to Declare that when we Consider the Comprehensive and General Terms of the Instruction of fifteenth of December Seventeen hundred and thirty five we are in great Doubt whether his Lordship Then gave or at any time Since hath given any Other Instruction relateing to foreign Gold altho the agent hath been pleased to Intimate that there is another which he had not found whereby he thinks the rate of Cut Gold is affixed at three pounds the ounce Conceiving that as he is Doubtfull as to the Value of Cut Gold by the said Instruction he may perhaps have been Mistaken as to the Instruction it Selfe and as a full and positive Information In Relation to Such p. 696 Instruction or the Instruction it Self if any Such there be is highly necessary to be laid before this House and Absolutely so in order to Enable us to make a Compleat and perfect Inquirie into severall Grievous Impositions which we Apprehend many of His Lordships faithfull Tenants have for some time past Laboured under we find our Selves again Obliged to have recourse to your Excy Earnestly Intreating that you will give Such Effectuall orders to the agent as shall Oblige him to lay before us the Instruction he hath Intimated he thinks Regulates Cut Gold at three pounds the ounce or in more full and Explicit Terms Declare the Contents of the said Instruction the Date thereof and when he received it from his Lordship.

Which Address was Read Approved and ordered to be Ingrossed On Reading the Bill Entituled an Act for the ease and Encouragement of Settlers on the remote and Back parts of this Province.

The Question was put whether the Exemption of paying Tobacco in Specie be Confined as in the Bill or reach the rest of the Inhabitants of the province who are not Tobacco makers resolved that it be proposed as an amendment to the Bill to reach the rest of the Inhabitants who are not Tobacco makers

For the Bill to reach the rest of the Inhabitants of the Province who are not Tobacco makers.

Major Jourdan Mr Waughop Mr Wilson Mr Kennard Mr Hall Mr Hammond Mr Denton Mr Smith Mr Skinner	M ^r King M ^r Edmunson M ^r Goldsborough M ^r Trippe M ^r Warfield M ^r Browne M ^r Sheredine M ^r Hamilton	Mr Moale Mr Mathews Mr Magruder Mr Sprigg Mr Stoddert Mr Gordon Mr Elliott Mr Wright	[Should not Warfield be Woolford]
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