

three years to y^r Deft Covenanting to pay 10000 of tob in such Man-
 -ner as in y^r Articles is mentioned & covenanted that he would wth &
 sufficiently amound y^r breach in y^r Dam & set a going both y^r mill
 with all necessary reparations Workmanlike & at y^e end of y^e three
 years to deliver y^e possession to y^e p^{ty} as by y^e Articles of Agreement
 may more at large appear. The s^d Cou^{ty} immediately put y^e Deft in
 possession thereof who promised forthwith to go about y^e repairing thereof
 But y^e said being by y^e Deft neglected y^e year y^e breach of y^e dam
 grew much wider & y^e floods had like to have carried all away through
 his neglect & by y^e means y^e charge of repairs was become greater
 & thereupon y^e Deft in April 1685 & at several other times be-
 -came an earnest & importunate solicitor to y^e p^{ty} to have his
 term enlarged for five years longer than his former term or else
 he must be forced to throw them up & leave them & y^e Cou^{ty}
 to y^e judgment of y^e Law Whereupon & by y^e unorderly sollicitati-
 -ons pretended y^e Cou^{ty} Hill was willing to do y^e same if y^e other
 Cou^{ty} Cou^{ty} would consent to do y^e same as y^e Deft then
 said and procured from y^e Cou^{ty} a Letter directed to y^e Deft
 dated y^e 8th day of June 1685 wherein y^e Cou^{ty} Cou^{ty} as follows
 Mr Stewart Hill I have through y^e importunity of Lynds &
 consideration of his great charges (if satisfaction may have benefit
 & y^e Certificate of y^e Court of Charles County & prospect of
 y^e future advantage of y^e p^{ty} for whom you & I are inter-
 -ested concluded with myself without any imposition upon y^e discre-
 -tion to incline y^e Consent farther than you may in conscience
 be inclined to grant me Lynds an addition of five years more
 to be added to y^e other lease of y^e mill upon these conditions
 (1) That he pay y^e 10000 of tob already agreed upon at y^e said
 agreed on (2^d) That there be new articles of agreement
 drawn with Covenanting advisedly prepared for all y^e new work
 to be done & as near as may be punctually executed as to
 flood gates dams poor head conduit wholy & (3^d) That
 he get y^e Court of St Marys County hands to y^e Certifi-
 -cate signed by y^e Charles County Court (4th) That he &
 his attorney assist with their advice in procuring some
 order of y^e provinciale Court or his Spe^{ty} Council upon
 y^e Certificate for our Judgment as far as may be obtained &
 at his charge (5th) That after y^e mill go you & I may
 have y^e full & free purchase at y^e market price of twenty
 barrels of Corn & ten bushels of wheat a piece (6th) To have them
 in convenient repair substantial & good with all utensils belong-
 -ing at y^e end of y^e term without any let fail or eviction
 This if you approve of I shall joyn in a Lease not older y^e
 Mr Lynds give us a particular of y^e charges by him expended
 And y^e Cou^{ty} Cou^{ty} having so will y^e same y^e Lynds desired
 have y^e same read to him w^{ch} accordingly y^e Cou^{ty} Cou^{ty} did & sealed
 y^e same up directed to y^e Deft Mr Hill & delivered y^e same to
 y^e