

Secretary of the Province of the fourth of  
 the year when he much reflected upon his  
 Excellency Justice and in particular here  
 intimating that his said Excellency had  
 put way difficulty upon him as obliging  
 to give an unreasonable security to William  
 Bladen for the payment of a Taylor's Bill  
 as he is pleased to bring it with Interest equal  
 to the Principal. Whereupon the Board  
 considering the said Letter and just Reflections  
 make the following Repentation We are  
 truly sensible that in this particular Mr  
 Thomas Laurence makes a very ingrat-  
 -ful Return, for his said Excellency's Inter-  
 -position if it may be so called in that matter  
 since it was altogether in his favour, for  
 the further Confirmation whereof Mr Bladen's  
 Declaration. As to Mr Thomas Laurence  
 Reflect on that his Excellency's Hon Majesty's  
 Council here by Order of Council had put the  
 said Bladen an attorney retained against  
 him into the possession of all his fees & quittes  
 of Office it is only to make a colourable pre-  
 -tence of some hardship done to Mr Thomas  
 when indeed there is not any, as may appear  
 by the Minutes in Council of the 7th of  
 December 1704. When the Council being informed  
 of the Death of John William Dent whom Mr