

Mr Thomas Laurence ~~had~~ left his attorney-
 Perdid inquire who took care of Mr Thomas con-
 cerning his business. It is such that Mr Thomas
 Laurence had made over and assigned all the
 Perquisites and Profits of his Secretary's Office to
 William Bladen for the Satisfaction of payment
 of two hundred & fifty pounds Ster & 15298 Tobacco
 did think the said William Bladen the properest
 Person to take care of these fees. And whereas it
 was absolutely necessary that the said Mr Thomas
 Laurence's Clerk who manages the Office and
 the Deputy Secretary should be paid their respective
 Salaries. It was ordered that the said Bladen
 should take care and see them paid out of Mr
 Thomas's fees. Which we hope all Reasonable
 men will approve of without observing the least
 Shadow of Disrespect to Mr Thomas Laurence there-
 in: not being in the least conscious to our selves then
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Whereas Mr Thomas Laurence in his Letter
 to his Excellency seems to retort that his Ex^{cy}
 had wrote him the Bill imposing fees for ordinary
 Licences was not a positive Law but only detri-
 :tionary which his said Excellency had so propose
 on purpose out of a true regard to the said Mr
 Thomas's Interest. Yet he finds the said Law to
 be positive as well as the Act. and for want of
 his said Excellency's Reasons sent with the Law.