

M^r William Bladen is Clerk of the Council of State at
the Salary of twelve thousand pounds of Tobacco per An.
He is also Clerk of the Council or upper House of Assembly
at the same Salary per An.

Thomas Macnemara is Clerk of the House of Delegates
at the Salary of twelve thousand pounds of Tobacco
per An.

William Bladen Esq^r is the present Commissary
Gen^l or Judge of Probate of Wills and Granting Adminis-
trations. His Office is to see that all Wills of Persons
dying in this Province be duly proved, and the
Execution thereof duly committed to such, who are ap-
pointed Exec^{rs} thereof, and to take care that all Administrations
be duly granted to such who have Right thereto and
legally represent the deceased Intestates, also to swear
them faithfully to execute the Trusts reposed in them and
to appoint and grant Warrants to Appraisers whose
fees likewise to swear to receive and inspect all Inven-
tories returned to his Office: and to examine & pass the
Accounts of all Exec^{rs} and Administrat^{rs} upon their
Oaths and proper Vouchers produced for their re-
payments and disbursements they exhibit against
the deceased's Estates - To transmit the Balance of
all such Accounts to the respective County Courts where
there are any Orphans of the deceased to whom the
same is due to be taken care of and secured by the Justices
of the sd. County Courts for the Orphan's Use - And also
to make Decrees or Writs for filial Portion, Legacy or
other Matter Cognizable in that Court. to which purpose
he holds his Court not less than six times in the year
and gives his Court and Attendance with his Regist^r and
two Clerks for the due dispatch of the Business incident
to that Office - The Fees whereof are considerable, but
inasmuch as the Country for several years last past
has God be thanked been very healthful, and the
People generally to that very many Estates