

Upon hearing the Complaint, of Indians <sup>against M. Pys which Complaint</sup> appears to this Board to be groundless M. Pys grows from the <sup>said Proprietary being older</sup> than the Reserve made for the Indians, It is Ordered that the said Indian pay as an Acknowledgment for the Land he now lives on to the said Pys One Barrel of Iron yearly, and for any other Land the said Indian shall hereafter lease from the said M. Pys such Terms as they can agree on, the said Pys and Indian being present consenting thereto

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter  
 May it please your Excellency

I received a Letter from Mr. Hoop dated June 25<sup>th</sup> inclosing a Copy of a Petition from the Debtors in Queen Anns County Goal whereby it appears they complain to your Excellency of undergoing great hardships by Ill usage from the Jailor with respect to their Diet which Complaint is without any Just Ground, But as I apprehend my Character to be concerned I hope your Excellency will be pleased to Order the Magistrates of this County to Examine into the Matter and make report of the Condition the Prisoners appear to be in and the Quantity and Quality of their daily Provisions and I doubt not but upon such Examination it will be found they have Justice done them in all respects and that the Trouble given your Excellency in the present Case is entirely owing to the Turbulency of some of the Prisoners who spirited up the others I am

Your Excellency's Most Obedient  
 Humble Servant  
 J. Harris

Queen Anns County July 5<sup>th</sup> 1754.

A Council held at the City of Annapolis on Thursday  
 the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of July in the fourth Year of his Lordships  
 Dominion Annoq Domini 1754.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor  
 The Honble { Benjamin Tusher Esq. } Philip Thomas Esq.  
 { Col George Plater } Col Edward Lloyd  
 { Charles Hammond } Richard Lee Esq.  
 Samuel Chamberlain Esq. Benedict Calvert Esq.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board an Instruction from his Lordship relating to Ordinary Licenses and desires their Opinion whether it is advisable for him to depart from the said Instruction, and pass the Bill now lying in the Upper House for his Majesty's Service whereby the Taxes for Ordinary Licenses are appropriated for the Uses mentioned in the said Act, Who are all of Opinion, except Col Lloyd, that considering the Circumstance of Affairs and the present Emergency they would advise him to pass the said Bill into a Law