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During who seemed determined to defend his Title. till the Trial Court should
offer Col: Lloyd £325 Currency for them, rather than run the Risk of a Trial
which offer Col: Lloyd accepted. But to return to the Agreement which had
been made by Mr Sullivan, as in making it he had acted without sufficient Au-
thority, it was not binding on His Sdp, or his Agent unless they chose it & thought
no harm was done, & I have not upon the most strict Enquiry found any Person
that thinks Sullivan had the least Intention, to defraud the Proprietary of any
thing when he made the above mentioned Agreement with Yiring but on the
contrary it is the Opinion of all that know him & that were acquainted with
the Affair that he intended to do what was in his Opinion best for the
Interest of His Sdp, & what in fact he would have done had the Affair
been entirely his own: & after all, I question, whether by the time that the Lawyers
who were concerned for His Sdp are satisfied, he will be so considerable a Gainer
as Col: Lloyd seems to intimate, but tho that should be the Case yet as Mr
Sullivan does not seem to have acted with an ill Intention, & since by his Intention
what it would. Col: Lloyd could not be bound by any Act which the Sheriff
had presumed to do without Authority it was hardly worth Col: Lloyd's while
to think to trouble His Sdp about the Affair unless he thereby intended to make
a great Merit of having done what was his Duty or what in that particular
he thought was most for His Sdp's Interest. But notwithstanding I have said
so much in excuse for Mr Sullivan's Behaviour on that Occasion, I can assure you
he is not one of the Men that I shall ever think of serving; his Conduct in
the Lower House has been far from agreeable; but with regard to that I
think he differs very little from all the Persons that were Sheriffs during Mr Ogle
& Mr Tashers Administration, & since my Subject naturally leads me to it, as
well as the Doubt you express in your Letter about Col: Lloyd's political
Principles I must now take the Liberty to say more to you on that Subject
than I have yet chose to do. how he behaved while he was a Member
of the Lower House the Journals of that House will always show & I think
not much to his honour or Advantage; there is scarcely a Gentleman in the Province
at this time who has Connections with so many of the principal Merchants