

Gazettes are now printing off so that I expect it will be in my power to send you copies thereof next Month by the Fleet & I flatter myself there will be none found among them to which His Ldp will make any Objection. — (Mr Ringold One of the Members of the Lower House, having after the Assembly was met received a Letter from Mr Franklin advising him that the Address of Condolance &c^r which was transmitted to him last Summer to be presented to His Majesty as from the Representatives of the People of this Province could not be received at the Secretary of State's Office by reason of its containing a Paragraph concerning Grievances the Majority now agreed to prepare another of which I inclose you a Copy, & Mr Ringold was understood desired to transmit it to Mr Franklin who has it seems offered to serve them to the utmost of his power during his Stay in England.) The Assembly's sitting the Beginning of April, having laid me under a Necessity of Writing to Governor Hamilton & desiring that the Commissioners Meeting at Newcastle might be put off to a longer Day & the Commissioners nominated by the Proprietors of Penns^a having thereupon appointed to meet us there the 29th of last Month I set off for that place the third Day after I had prorogued the Assembly with Mr Midout Mr Leeds & Dr Stewart whom at the Desire of Col^o Henry I had appointed a Commissioner in his Stead for as Mr Bordley was obliged at that time to attend the Commissioners Court, Mr Barclay indisposed & Col^o Lloyd had desired to be excused alledging the Necessity he was under after so long Absence at the Assembly of devoting some time to his own Affairs I thought it would not be well for only three Commissioners to go lest by Sickness or any other Accident One of them should be rendered unable to attend the Meeting, & as Dr Stewart enjoys a good Share of Health is able to undergo Fatigue & is under great Obligations to His Ldp I thought him a proper Person to be nominated & hope the Step I have taken will meet with His Ldp's Approbation. What Resolution the Commissioners came to relative to Running the Sanguet the enclosed Copy of our Minute will shew, the Surveyors were so much afraid of suffering in their health from running thro the Swamps more early after such a wet Season as these