

include a small Vacancy lying within three Miles of His Lordships
Manor in Queen Ann's County, is read, as also a Certificate from
Jonathan Hall, late Surveyor of said County, by which it appears
that the Vacancy prayed for, contains only Nineteen Acres, entirely
surrounded by ancient Tracts, and the Land being of a very in-
different Quality; the said Petition is granted

The Governor lays before the Board a Letter which his Excellency
received, the 10. th Instant, from the Rev^d M^r. Bernet Allen of which the
following is a Copy

Sir,

If anything could astonish me that happens to
me in this Country, it would be the arrest I was put under
on Wednesday last, at the Horserace, in the face of the whole
Province at the Seat of the Lord Proprietary. And tho' I
am far from thinking his Lordship conscious of so violent
a proceeding, yet: I was in hopes that the mis:states of my
Conduct, which rais'd a clamour against me among
the People, and which you seem'd so much to disapprove
here, would not have been seconded by you at home. I find
that not only Mess^{rs}. Dulany's, and the late Mr. Fisher, —
but your Excellency has blamed me extremely: — nay, I
find you have gone farther, you have been pleased to
place yourself in my circumstances, and say, that had you
been Mr. Allen, you would have contented yourself to have
remained some years in the Province with a small in-
ferior income, rather than have desired such large promo-
tions at once; and that you think I will think so too —
Here you put yourself in my place & condemn my Conduct,
by declaring you would have acted otherwise. Give me leave
then to ask you, with great submission, if you had come into the
Province with a presentation to two good Livings, as I did, would