

Read Board with all convenient speed

Read the following Bill viz

Act for punishing of Strangers for the Defence of this Province that a Clause be added to the said Act that any English man or Indian that has any Information to make about the incursion or invasion of strange Indians they may be obliged to go to the next Militia Officer or Justice of the Peace where they shall give in their Information the which if it proves true they shall have a Reward if false then to be punished according to Law and that the several Sheriffs make this Law known to the several Nations of Indians within this Province

Act for 3^d had read and passed here

Read an Answer of the House of Burgesses relating to their Majestys Magazine of Powder &c as follows viz

By the Burgesses of Assembly October 15th 1694

Voted that the powder lodged in the state House be equally divided according to the Taxables in every respective County and the Colonels of each County have the Charge of the same and that they take care for the Transportation of the same and be allowed their Charges out of the publick Tery for transporting the same and what publick Armes here at Saent Marys to be equally distributed amongst the Colonels of each respective County and to be kept in repair at the charge of the severall Counties

Voted that whereas the Records of this Province for the Land Office have always heretofore been kept by the Secretary of this Province and whereas we having no greater Security for the preservation of the same have thought fit to continue them as formerly by Reason the King has no House of Fortification here

Signed by Order

Eleborn Tomax Ch. Assembly

This Board does agree with the House of Burgesses therein and do Order that the Colonels of each County do take care that the Frontiers be well provided with powder Shot and Armes in the first place and that there be not above one Barrel of powder lodged in any one place and the same to be kept and preserved untouched unless upon insurrection or invasion which God forbid their Majestys having no publick Store houses here nor fortifications to preserve the same in from fire lightning and other Casualties therefore such distributions thought most necessary

They do likewise agree with the Vote of the House as to the Land Records by Reason their Majestys have no particular place or fort to keep them in

That in the Act for confirming the Act of the last Sessions of Assembly it be said instead of an authentic Copy thereof as at that instead of saying a true Copy of the Act for repealing certain laws of this Province passed here

Col^o Addison sent to the house to acquaint them that this Board desired a conference with the House presently