

- 2 And for want of due Notice of the Fees taken by his Agents and Under Officers we are liable to pay any Fees by them demanded at their Pleasure as has been manifestly shown to the Assembly at the Time of passing the Law to the great Aggravation of her Majesty's Subjects here and obstructing many Settlements of the Soil in Prejudice of her Majesty's Revenue
- 3 Many Abuses being complained of to the Assembly done by the several Deputy Surveyors under the Lord Baltimore they thought it expedient to prevent the same for the future that no one should act in that Station that would not qualify themselves as by the Law directed, the said Deputy Surveyors being Officers acting between the Lord Proprietor and her Majesty's Subjects who ought to administer Right between his Lordship and the People from whom they receive their Wages or Fees in measuring the Land they purchase from his Lordship the Soil of this Province being not only granted to his Lordship's Ancestors but with Intent of settling an English Colony which we hope her most Sacred Majesty will always protect & therefore we think it highly reasonable those Officers should be obliged by Oath to act impartially having an equal Regard to her Majesty's Subjects as well as his Lordship's Interest.

W. Bladen Secy

Which being read the House readily concurred therewith and ordered the following Message to be sent up to the Council

By the House of Delegates 9th Novem^r 1709

This House return your Honours Thanks to your Lordship to answer the Lord Baltimore's Objections against the Act requiring his Agents to publish the Conditions of Plantations &c and readily concur and join with you therein

Signed by Order W. Tayland Secy to the Lord

William Good late Sheriff of Saint Mary's County having due Notice to appear here this Session to answer for his Misbehaviour and undue Election of Members to serve for the said County in the last Session and not appearing accordingly altho Richard Howollon in Obedience to the same Order gave his Attendance to maintain the Complaint on Behalf of the said County Therefore it's Resolved and Ordered that the present Sheriff of the said County take him into his Custody and cause him to appear at the Bar of this House the next Session as well to answer the Charge aforesaid as for his Contempt in not giving due Obedience to the former Order of the House ^{House} whereof the Sheriff is not to fail as he will answer the contrary

The House adjourns till to Morrow Morning 9 o'Clock

Thursday November 10th 1709 The House met again according to Adjournment called over All present as Yesterday. Read what was done Yesterday.

Bill ascertainment Damages on Protested Bills of Exchange Read the first Time and

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