

in all the Year round. the Tobacco Buyers will purchase no more at a Time than
just from Month to Month: whereas on the contrary if all the Years Crop went to
Market much at a Time the Buyers would according to the Eagerness of their Trade
purchase their whole Years Stock at once and thereby in all probability the
Price of that Commodity would always be kept up — May the 6th 1715

Jo. Hart

And Resolved by Majority of votes that it would be of great Advantage
all Tobacco should be got ready to be shipped earlier than usually it has been
of late Years but that it would be prejudicial to the good People of the Province
that any precise Time should be limited for the Shipping of Tobacco —

After which it was considered whether the Planters should not be obliged to
have their Lash Timber hewn by a certain Time in every Year —

And whether it may not be fit to oblige the Cooper to set up all Casks
Yearly by a precise Time and agreed to by the Majority of the Committee.

That it may be very advantageous to the Province in General that the Plan-
ters have their Timber hewn by a certain Time and that the Coopers set up their
Casks by a precise Time in every Year —

Then the Conference proceed in the Consideration of that Part of the Proposal
relating to encouraging the Coopers by giving them Execution for their Pay, and
it was carried by Majority of votes that the said Cooper pay be upon Execution
at the Rate of Eighty Pounds of Tobacco or six Shillings and Eight Pence
for every Ton of Lash at the Election of the Employer —

Signed J. Creder. W. Gladen Secy. Conf.

On reading which the following Indowment was ordered to be made
thereon — By the House of Delegates May the 7th 1715

This Report being read the House concurs with the same so far as it
relates to hewing Timber for Tobacco Sheds and setting up the ^{Sheds} by a certain
Time; but as to that Part of the said Report that relates to the Coopers wages
upon Execution this ^{House} resolves the same to be no ways conducing to the publick
Good and therefore cannot agree with the Proposal

Signed J. Creder Tho. Mainmara Secy. Ho. Del.

Col. Matthew Delghman Ward from the Conference about revising the Laws
delivers M. Spoker the following Report Viz

At a Conference between the Members appointed by the King his Majesty