on the 31st of July last on a Bill for makeing good a Sale of land from Joseph Bridger dec'd to Thomas Jones dec'd &c: and in answer thereto order the following Indorsment to be made. [Viz^t]

By the Lower house of Assembly 2d Augt 1716

In answer to your Endorsment on this Bill whereby you desire to be satisfied how and when Mr Thomas Jones dec'd payed the consideration money [Viz^t] 80tt Sterling We answer you that Hester Bridger the Widow and Ex^tx of Joseph Bridger Esqr deceased after the death of the Said Joseph Bridger did by her Deed under her hand and Seal bearing date the 3d day of July 1686 which was Sent to your house with this Bill acknowledge the receipt of the Said Consideration and thereof Discharged the Said Thomas Jones and it cannot be denyed but she had power So to doe, and more over those that opposed the passing of the bill in this house owned that all the Consideration money to about 38tt Ster^g was payd by the Said Thomas Jones in his lifetime and Since the Said Jones by his last will gave all his personal Estate to his wife Except Some Small legacies which Estate amounted to above 300tt Ster^g and owed but few debts which also appears It is but Just that she or Mr Catherwood that had that Estate by marrying her should pay his debts whereof the Said 38tt was part wherefore it is hoped the bill will pass. Signed p order

Tho: Macnemara Cl: ho:

Sent up by Mr Charles Wright, Mr Brannock and Mr Waghup, Who return and say the delivered it

Col Wm Holland, Col: Cursey, Col Eunalls and Lt Col Young from the Up^r House deliver Mr Speaker the following.

By the Up^r house of Assembly Augt 2d 1716

It being represented by his Ex^cney the Governour to this house that by the omission of the Rt Honble the Lord Propry and his Guardian's Agent in England their Lordships have not yet sent any Instructions or authority into this Province Either in case of the death or absence of the Governour where the power of the Governm^t shall be lodged or who shall execute the Same, That as his Ex^cney the present Governour has been formerly in great danger of his life by Severall violent fitts of Sickness there may happen great prejudice and Confusion among the people upon his death if it should please God he should dye before the Lord Propry and his Guardian by Some Speciall instruction make provision therefore — This house doe unanimously Resolve that the not sending into this Province Such powers and Instructions for the administration of the government here in case of his Ex^cney the present Governour's death or absence is a great omission in his Lordship's Agent and Conceive that the Ill consequences of Such neglect at present cannot be otherwise provided for than by an Act of Assembly directing where the said powers shall be lodged and how executed untill his Lordship the Rt Honble the Lord Propry and his Guardians directions and Instructions shall be Sent into this Province on which Emergent occasion we desire the advice and Concurrence of your house what is to be [illegible]