

Ordered, that the Committee for Laying the Publick Levy upon  
His Excellency the Governour in Money for so much Tobacco, as is  
allowed him by the publick at the rate of twelve and five pence  
per hundred Currency if (Money) will hold out and he thinks fit to  
accept thereof.

Col<sup>o</sup> Young from the Upper House delivers Mr. Speaker -  
The Journall of the Committee of accounts, this Endors'd viz<sup>t</sup>  
June the 5<sup>th</sup> 1719. Read and assented to by the Upper  
house of Assembly - and signed for'de John Beard Esq<sup>r</sup> Rep: Ho:

The bill empowering Committee to lay and assess the Publick Levy,  
was read the first and second times by speciall orders and will  
pass, which was so endors'd - and sent to the Upper house by  
Mr. Stoddert and Mr. Dashiell -

They returne and say they delivered it -

Edw. Brooke and three more from the Upper house delivers Mr.  
Speaker the following Message viz<sup>t</sup> -

By the Upper house of Assembly June the 5<sup>th</sup> 1719

Gent<sup>l</sup> // Upon reading your Message by Mr. Hill and others  
His Excellency is pleased to say that he shall pass the bill if there  
be a limitation, which he desires (maybe for three years and to the  
end of the next session of a Assembly which shall happen after three  
years, or to the end of the first session of Assembly after the arrivall  
of the Lords Proprietors which shall first happen -

Signed for'de, John Beard Esq<sup>r</sup> Rep: Ho:

The following Letter from His Excellency on Wednesday last  
to Mr. Speaker was Communicated to the house - and  
Ordered to be entered as follows -

Mr. Speaker - I Desire that you will acquaint the  
house, by the artfull Contivance of Mr. Canoll his Lordships  
former agent, there remains, as I am Informed upwards of  
three hundred patents which are not yet sealed, tho' the persons  
to whom those patents belong have some years past paid  
their Consideration Money (the Deals receipts) by which the  
Proprietors of those patents are as yet defeated of their essential  
right to the lands they have purchased -

This was the Malicious Management of Mr. Canoll, who  
is the Cause of so great injustice to the publick purely to Deprive  
me of the Fees of the Seals, in Expectation, that for my Contending  
with the Papists for their pretended right of having an equal share  
with the Protestants to offices in this Government (and which  
surely is not so soon forgot) they had hopes of removing me from  
my Station and so their Favourite they expected in my Room.