

November 24th, 1770.

FREDERICK absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of *Maryland* and *Avalon*, Lord Baron of *Baltimore*, &c. For the ascertaining what Fees and Perquisites may and shall be taken and received by our Judges and Register of our Land-Office, for their own Use and Benefit, WE do think fit, and accordingly declare it to be our Will and Pleasure, that our said Judges and Register, shall have, receive and take the following Fees and Perquisites hereunder written, to their own Use and Benefit. Witness our Brother ROBERT EDEN, Esq; Governor of our said Province of *Maryland*, and Chancellor and Keeper of the Great Seal thereof.

FEES and PERQUISITES allowed by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, &c. to be taken by his Judges and Register of his Land-Office, viz.

For a Common Warrant,	- - - - -	33
For renewing the same,	- - - - -	33
For recording Certificate, <i>per Side</i> ,	- - - - -	9
For making out a Grant,	- - - - -	90
For recording it,	- - - - -	67
For every Petition and Order,	- - - - -	150
For a Special Warrant, including Petition and Order thereon,	- - - - -	375
For renewing every Special Warrant,	- - - - -	75
For every Deed or Assignment,	- - - - -	24
For Hearing and Sentence thereon,	- - - - -	75
For searching any Matter or Thing, the first Year,	- - - - -	Nothing.
For all Searches above one Year, be the Time of what Length soever, if the Matter searched for be found,	- - - - -	15
For all Copies, <i>per Side</i> , computed as before,	- - - - -	9
For every other Service not herein mentioned, <i>per Side</i> , and so <i>pro rato</i> ,	- - - - -	9

N. B. The above Fees, if paid for at the Time of performing the Service, may be discharged in Money, at the Rate of Twelve Shillings and Six-pence Currency for every 100^{lb} of Tobacco; and if paid in inspected Tobacco, 10 *per Cent.* to be discounted for Conveniency.

ROB. EDEN.

The further Consideration whereof is referred till To-morrow.

The House adjourns til To-morrow Morning 9 o'Clock.

F R I D A Y, October 18th, 1771.

THE House met. All Members present as on Yesterday.

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

On Motion, ORDERED, That Leave be given to bring in a Supplementary Bill to the Act, entitled, *An Act to enable the Justices of Dorchester County Court, to assess and levy on the taxable Inhabitants of the said County, a Quantity of Tobacco for the Purpose of building a Court-House*; and that Mr. Ennalls, Mr. Joseph Richardson, Mr. W. Richardson, Mr. Chase, and Mr. Johnson, do prepare and bring in the same.

Benedict Calvert, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of sundry Subscribers, living in and convenient to the Town of *Bladensburg* in *Prince George's County*, setting forth, that the Navigation of the Eastern Branch of *Patowmack* River being obstructed by several Bars, which are daily encreasing, many People have subscribed Sums of Money to a considerable Amount, to be paid to certain Persons in the Petition named, to be by them applied towards clearing the said Navigation; and praying that an Act may pass, empowering the said Persons, as Trustees, to receive further Subscriptions, to obtain Payment of all Sums of Money which have been or shall be subscribed for the said Purpose, according to the Terms of such Subscription, and to contract with fit Persons for effecting the Purpose aforesaid, by making the Channel deeper, straighter or wider, as shall be thought most easy and most effectual for preventing Obstructions from gathering hereafter.—That in the said Act it may be declared lawful to destroy, and that a fit Penalty may be annexed to the making any Hedges or Wares on the Waters aforesaid in Time to come; and that a severe Penalty may, by the said Act, attend the cleaning of Fish, and leaving any Part of them within the said Town, or within half a Mile thereof. And,

A Petition of *Frank Leeke* and *George Digges*, of *Prince George's County*, praying an Act may pass to empower them to sell a Lot of Ground in *Upper-Marlborough*, which *Charles Digges*, late of that County, deceased, purchased from a certain *John Weldon*, for the Payment of the Debts of the said *Charles Digges*.

The Bill for amending the Staple of Tobacco, &c. was read with the Amendments for which it had been committed, passed, and sent to the Upper House by Mr. Hall and Eleven more.

Mr. Chamberlaine, Mr. Ennalls, and Mr. W. Richardson, have Leave of Absence.

Mr. Beall brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report:

By the COMMITTEE upon the Petition of Robert Dick, and others.

YOUR Committee have proceeded to examine into the Facts set forth in the said Petition, and find, by the annexed Articles of Agreement for building Two Warehouses at *Bladensburg*, that the same were to have been completed by the Fifteenth Day of July One Thousand seven Hundred and Sixty-seven; and by the annexed Deposition of *William Deakins*, One of the