

Mines of Gold Silver Copper and Tin to me my heirs and Lib. X.  
Successors

Copy his Lordships 8<sup>th</sup> Instruction to M<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Lowe p. 78  
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Whereas by our 12<sup>th</sup> Instruction formerly sent your Brother Bennet Low he was particularly directed before he made out any Lease or Leases if any part of the Susquehannah Mannor formerly forfeited to the Proprietary by Col<sup>o</sup> George Talbot to Consult M<sup>r</sup> Philemon Lloyd, my Will now is that no Lease or Leases be made thereof without my further Orders having some thoughts to grant out the Inheritance of some parts thereof to the people that are carrying on the Iron Works thereabouts You are therefore as soon as possible to send me as good an account as you can of the Value of those Lands by the Acre which I hear is considerable that I may know the better on what Terms to dispose of them tho in the mean time I would not have the expectation of the people in the least baulk'd that the said Lands will be shortly parcell'd out by Lease to such persons as are willing to pay reasonable Considerations for the same

After reading the aforesaid Instructions his Exc<sup>v</sup> acquainted the Board that M<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Lowe desired their Advice and Opinion how he should act with Reference to those Instructions there having been several Leases made out tho not yet delivered and several Surveys return'd pursuant to the form of those Instructions

The Board taking the same into their Consideration are of opinion notwithstanding the prohibition in his Lordships latter instruction that it is expedient according to his Lordships own p. sense of it in the Close of that Instruction that he would not have the expectation of the people in the least Baulk'd that such persons as have been at the charge to have their dividends surveyed and Certificates of them returned have their Leases Confirmed to them because it may be of very evil Consequence to his Lordships Interest to discourage those who have thus qualified themselves for Leases and may provoke them to comply with the Pennsylvanian Government, and create a general dissatisfaction among the people in those parts to his Lordships Great prejudice

His Excellency laid before the Board an extract of Proceedings of a Council held at Philadelphia the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 1722 which was read and Ordered to be entred and is as follows viz<sup>t</sup>