

estate of Hamond Norton for that th<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Norton hath absented himselfe out of th<sup>e</sup> County & is not to be found, with Cost of suite Liber F

It is ordered that Cornelius Cormacke make his appearance at th<sup>e</sup> next Court there to Answer to th<sup>e</sup> Complaint of th<sup>e</sup> Indians.

The Court is Adjourned for two houres.

The Court sits again present Commissioners as before

M<sup>r</sup> Henry Adames Continues his Attachment against th<sup>e</sup> estate of Michaell Ashford in th<sup>e</sup> hands of m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Hussey

It is ordered th<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Henry Adames & M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Matthewes doe in th<sup>e</sup> behalfe of th<sup>e</sup> rest of th<sup>e</sup> Commissioners bargaine & agree with M<sup>r</sup> John Allen about th<sup>e</sup> Court house & prison & Signe & seale th<sup>e</sup> Conveyances on th<sup>e</sup> behalfe of th<sup>e</sup> Rest & take bond on th<sup>e</sup> sixteene day of Novemb<sup>r</sup> 1674

It is likewise ordered what is more done then th<sup>e</sup> former bargaine with M<sup>r</sup> John Allen about th<sup>e</sup> Court house & prison, that hee the s<sup>d</sup> John Allen shall have satisfaction th<sup>e</sup> next yeare out of th<sup>e</sup> County Levy

The Court is Adjourned till th<sup>e</sup> second Tuesday in January next

M<sup>r</sup> John Allen acknowledges this ensuing Deed of Sale for a Court house & prison with an acre of Land belonging thereunto being a parcell of a tract of Land scituate & being in Charles County Called Moores Lodge to M<sup>r</sup> Henry Adames & M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Matthewes One th<sup>e</sup> behalfe of th<sup>e</sup> Right Honorable th<sup>e</sup> Lord Propriet<sup>r</sup> for th<sup>e</sup> publicke use of th<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of Charles County for a Court house for his L<sup>ds</sup> Justices to hold Court in, & a prison house to secure prisoners in when thereunto Comitted

To all Christian People to whom these presents shall come Greetinge I John Allen of Charles County in th<sup>e</sup> Province of Maryland Gentleman, For & in Considera<sup>o</sup>n of twenty thousand pounds of good sound Merchantable tobacco raised in th<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> County by a publicke levy & to me in hand paid, th<sup>e</sup> receipt whereof I doe hereby acknowledge & therewith to be Fully paid, Contented & satisfied, have granted, bargained & sold, & by these presents doe grant bargaine & sell unto the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> Caecilius absolute Lord & proprietary of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c: his heires & Successors for ever, One acre of Land being parcell of a tract of Land scituate in Charles County afores<sup>d</sup> Called Moores Lodge distant from th<sup>e</sup> head of Portobacco about foure miles, & one dwelling house scituate upon th<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> acre of Land, twenty & five foot in Length & twenty & two foot in breadth, with a porch tenne foot long & eight [p. 37]