

against his Lordship. Which if it have been wilfully or negligently permitted, suffered or connived at by the said Doyne, this board conceives he is answerable for the same at common Law to which they referr him as not properly lyeing before their Hon<sup>rs</sup> in Councill. Liber B.  
P. R. O.

Rob: Doyne      The said Doyne (nothing else appearing against p. 18  
Shff. of      him) is continued high Sheriff of Charles County for  
Charles      the yeare ensueing.  
County.

Produced and read the foll: Letter from Tho: Thurston to Mr Clement Hill (viz)

Aprill 12<sup>th</sup> 1686.

Thomas      Loving Friend Clement Hill, If thou please to  
Thurston's      remember when I saw thee last that wee had some  
letter to Mr      discourse concerning our Court house that now is  
Clement Hill      not standing convenient for the whole County, but  
concerning      rather out of the way, it is the request and desire of  
Balt: County      the greatest part of the County that the Councill  
Court house.      will be pleased to take it into consideration, and grant us an  
order of Councill to appoint a place where it may be sett for  
the conveniency of the whole County which wee doe judge will  
be on the south side of the Runn called Winters Runn convenient for every man that have business there which would be greate satisfaction to the Inhabitants, and encouragement to Travellers and strangers, humbly desiring that the Councill will be pleased to grant us our request.

First That there is much land in breadth and length still to take up, which is a greate hinderance to the Prop<sup>ty</sup>

Secondly. There is many have taken land up and are doubtfull of seateing it for fear of the heathen.

Thirdly It would be a meanes to drive back the heathen further into the woods.

Fourthly. It will be neere the middle of the County.

Fifthly The continuance of causes puts men to more charge then the debt because that in the winter, people cannot come for the frost, and here every man may come winter and summer.

Sixthly It will be neere the path that goes from Potomock to the Susquehannah Rivers and that will encourage Strangers, and enlarge our County.

This in the behalf of the people in Potapsco, Back River, Middle River, Gunnpowder River, and the south side of Bush River doe request an order of Councill with what speed it may be and there in you will oblige the oppressed and promote the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup> right

These for my loving Friend      Thomas Thurston.  
Clement Hill liveing in Clements Bay  
one of his Lo<sup>p</sup>'s Councill.      with care.