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The Right Hon^{ble} the Lords of the Committee for Trade and Plantations having this day laid before His Majesty in Council a Report from Sir Thomas Trevor Knight their Majtys Solicitor Generall upon the several demands of the Lord Baltemore as Lord Proprietary of their Majesty's Province of Maryland which having been this day read at the Board His Majesty was pleased to approve of the said Report and did order as it is hereby ordered that the Act lately past in Maryland for the fourteenth pence tunnage be and it is hereby set aside and disallowed and that the Lord Baltemore be permitted without any disturbance or interruption to collect and receive by such person or persons as he shall thereunto authorize and appoint the said duty of fourteen pence per: tun for Port duties or Anchorage for his own use of Right belonging to him by Law as the Proprietor of the said Province and as well Coll: Copley their Majestys present Governor as the Lord Baltemore and all others whom it may concern are to take notice of His Majesty's Pleasure hereby signified and to comply with the several particulars of the said Report.

William Blathwayt.

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At the Committee of Trade and Plantations
At the Council Chamber at Whitehall
the 26th day of February 1692/3

Upon the Petition of Sir Thomas Lawrence Secretary of Maryland referred to the Committee by His Majesty's Order in Council of the 26th of January last complaining that by an Act lately past in the Assembly of Maryland the yearly income of clearing ships which by Law has belonged to the Secretary there from the year 1622 to 1676. is now given to the Governour—That by another Act for regulating Ordinaries the benefit of Lycences which for 15. years past belonged to the Secretary is likewise given to the Governour. That notwithstanding the Secretarys Fees have been confirmed by a late Act of Assembly in the same manner they have stood for many years the Governour by an Order of Council has appointed that Chancery Writts which have been always issuable out of the Secretaries Office should thenceforth issue out of the Chancery and the Fees to be paid to the Chancellor. And that he is referred to the Assembly touching two thousand pounds security the Governour and Council have thought fitt he should enter into for the due performance of his Office. Their Lordships having examined the whole matter it appears to the Committee that by divers Acts of the Assembly before the year 1676. several Fees were allowed to the Secretary for the clearing of ships trading to Maryland but that after that