

Original
Journal. Ordered that what Armes were taken & seized at the Garrison at Mattapany for their Maj^{ty} Use that there be an Acco^t thereof Returned with all convenient speed to this Board.

Petition of George Mason & William Burley about their lyeing under the sentence of Death for these severall yeares, being Read: His Ex^{ncy} was pleased to demand of the Board how that Matter stood & his Hono^r Coll Greenberry made Answer that they were Reprieved & a letter was sent unto Governo^r Copley by M^r Blathwait directing a Copy of the proceedings to be sent home, the w^{ch} he sayes were accordingly sent by him to his Ex^{ncie} S^r Edmond Andross, in Order thereto.

Ordered that the said Letter be produced at the Board to be sent with the petition for the peruseall of the House of Assembly

Coll Hutchins appears at the Board.

Message from the House by M^r Boothby & M^r Hutchinson whoe doe Represent that upon their peruseall of the Act of 4^d p Gall upon Liquo^{rs} they doe finde that the Act does direct the same to be Lodged in the Kings Receivers hands and they Understanding that M^r Plater is the proper Officer yet not knowing it Judicially they desired to be informed of the same more fully from this Board, To the End they may call him to Acco^t according to the said Act.

The Message approved off and Answer Given them by M^r Tench And Coll Addison. That M^r Plater is the Kings Receiver he is Ordered to Attend them accordingly.

Ordered that thanks be Returned to M^r Coney & M^r Hewet for their Sermons preached yesterday being the day appointed for the ffast. And that M^r Coney be desired to print his Sermon.

Read the Answers & Opinions of the Attorneys relateing to the Councils heareing Writts of Error & Appeales & Constituting the Court of Chancery &^{ca} pursuant to an Ord^r of Covncill September 22th 1694

To his Ex^{ncy} The Govern^r

Maryland ss:

p. 19 S^r Wee haue in Obedience to y^r Co^mands considered and Debated the Severall Matters given us in charge which wee Conceive to Consist of these two propositions, (To witt)

1 Whether by virtue of their Maj^{ties} Comi^{ss}ion the Governo^r & Council are not Actually quallified and Enabled as a Court of Justice to heare and determaine all matters in Law that shall be brought before them by Error or appeale, or that there be a Necessity for any furth^r Authority or Comi^{ss}ion to