

U. H. J. Pleased to signify that he cannot consent thereto for the Reason of his Majestys Royal Instruction to the contrary herewith sent but if the House can find out any other way to satisfy them this Board does Recommend it

Signed p Order Hen Denton Clk Council

One of his Majestys Royal Instructions to me And you are particularly not to Pass any Law or do any Act by Grant Settlement or otherwise whereby our Revenue may be lessened or impaired without our special Leave for it

Fr. Nicholson

M^r Gerrard Slyes petition for Publick allowance being read was referred to the House of Burgesses by Order for their Consideration the said petition and foregoing message & where sent by the honble Col^o Greenberry and Col^o Hutchins Came from the House of Burgesses Major Dorsey M^r Hutchinson & M^r Blay who signify that they were sent from the House to acquaint his Excellency that they were appointed a Committee to Inspect what Tobacco is Collected towards building a Church at Annapolis &c and for to make some report thereof and do desire that his Excellency would be pleased to appoint two of his Majestys honourable Council for to joyn with them therein

Ordered that the honble Sir Thomas Lawrence Baronet Secretary and Esq^r Brooks be added to the same who accordingly went and took several Papers delivered to them by his Excellency relating thereto

The Return of the said Committee came afterwards and Reported as follows viz^t

That there is in Bank for building the Church	458 ^l ..	13 ^s ..	04 ^d
We have discoursed Workmen about the Church and the Carpenter demands for his work	} 250 ^l ..	00 ^s ..	00 ^d
The Brick Maker			
The Bricklayers having all Stuff laid upon the Place	090 ^l ..	00 ^s ..	00 ^d
	220 ^l ..	00 ^s ..	00 ^d

We find no means to Raise more money to carry on the same without the Assistance of Charitable well disposed Persons

We find by computation that the Building of the Church at Annapolis according to the modell prescribed by his Excellency will not cost less than twelve hundred Pounds Sterling His Excellency is pleased to Represent that a fair oppertu-