

Original Journal. province (which was the 12th of Sep^t 1693) there being then no Liev^t Governo^r or Comander in Chief for the time being in the Country the Administracōn of that Governm^t ought by his Matys Comission to have divolved upon the Councill in which the first Councillo^r nominated in Col Copley's Instructions ought to have p^rsided.

p. 27 That S^r Thomas Laurence was the first Councillor so nominated, but at that time lay under a Suspencōn which was afterwards taken off and by her late Matys Order in Councill of the 28th of Sep^t 1693 declared to be illegall and Arbitrary, That upon Col Copleys Death he was Admitted to sitt in Councill But S^r Edmund Andros Comeing thither from Virginia and upon an ill Grounded pretence of a Comission which did not reach the Case of that province att that time takeing upon him the place of Comander in Chief for the time being After a fortnights stay returned to Virginia and Constituted Col Nicholas Greenbery the fourth Councillor in Nomination in Col Copleys Instructions to be p^resident out of the Councill Excludeing S^r Thomas Laurence from that place which of right would have belonged to him

And in the end of Aprill or begining of May, 1694 Some while after Notice of her Late Matys [order] for the Annulling the S^r Thomas Laurence and Suspention S^r Edmond Andros Coming again to Maryland and staying ab^t a weeke by Consent of the Councill took to himselve five hundred pounds upon Acc^t of his Sallary as Comāder in Chiefe and directed one hundred and fifty pounds to be paid unto the said Col Greenbery upon the acc^t of his being p^resident of the Councill.

That Since the Settlement of that Governm^t, by his Matys Comission in the hands of Col Francis Nicholson and by his Arrivall there which was ab^t the end End of July 1694 the Assembly to p^rvent the dispute that might Arise from severall Judiciall Acts past dureing S^r Edm^d Andros Administracōn because of some Debts ab^t the legality thereof Did by an Act or Law of the province Confirme all those proceedings Excepting onely his takeing and disposing of the publick Revenue for the supporte of the Governm^t and provideing that the Right and Claim of the Assembly or any person w^hsoever unto the same should not thereby be debarred.

p. 28 That in Consequence thereof S^r Edmund Andros did Voluntarily pay back the greatest part of what he had received, and Col Greenbery has since given Caution to refund the foremencōned Sumē of 150^l when ordered by his Maty.

This being the state of that Matter we further humbly reporte unto yo^r Ex^{cy} that we do not by his Matys Comission