A Bill for Ascerteining the Laws of this province read and Original will pass

The following Message was presented to the Board by Col

Iohn Thompson and Majr Thomas Ennalls Vizt

By the house of Delegates Iuly the 22d 1699

Resolved that Cap^t Richard Hill with all Convenient Speed build and finish within the Porte of Annapolis and on such Ground as his Ex^{cy} the Governo^r shall appoint a prison according to the Demensions of the Reporte of the Comittee Appointed to Consider the building thereof and to be paid for the Same so much as he shall reasonably deserve to be adjudged by the Gen¹¹ Assembly of this Province out of the publick Revenue of the Same if your Ex^{cy} and Councill shall Concurr therewith

Signed p Order Chr Gregory Cl house Del.

Assented To, by his Ex^{cy} the Governo^r & Councill W Bladen Cl: Councill

Sent to the house the following Message Vizt

Gent Herewith I send a Coppy of the pattent of the honble William Blathwayte Esq^r Auditor Gen^{II} of the planta-p. 93 tions who is a person of Great worth and honor and able to do you many Good Offices in the station he stands and for his great trouble and Care in discharge of that Imployment has Gen^{III} a Salary from most or all the plantacons Except this place. I Therefore recomend it to your Consideration to make him Some yearly Allowance of Sallary whereby you will make him your friend and I am confident thereby do your Selves a Signall piece of Service

N: Blakiston

Sent from the house the following Answer Vizt

By the house of Delegates Iuly the 22d 1699

The Message this day sent in relation to the honble William Blathwaite Esqr has been here read and Considered and this house dos humbly pray to be Excused att this time from Settling any Annuall Sallary or Allowance on the said William Blathwaite Esqr

Signed p Order Chr. Gregory Cl house Del.