

now have favoured me w<sup>th</sup> if you will give your Selfe the Original Journal. Trouble to Looke into yo<sup>r</sup> acc<sup>ts</sup> you will find Little Charge has accrewed to the Country since my arivall by frequent meettings & I designe to Continue it soe I shall allways be just to what I have sev<sup>r</sup>all Times since the meeting of this assembly Given under my hand of my p<sup>t</sup>icular regard to the good of this Province & if the Respects you have aimed me be any Oppression or Difficulty to the Country I would by noe means have you Straine yo<sup>r</sup> Generosity beyond yo<sup>r</sup> abilityes and the more be Cause you seeme to be Concerned for want of a Better ffund.

Gent this Leads me to acquaint you that my usage in this place I mean at Annapolis has not been w<sup>th</sup> the Respects of a Common Constable in England besides the Slender Conveniencies of Life are not to be had but at much dearer rates than Elsewhere If I were not very sensible I could serve his Maj<sup>ty</sup> as well in other parts of this Province as here my resolutions should be to Continue though w<sup>th</sup> the greatest difficulty I never was yet in the meanest of his Maj<sup>tyes</sup> Governm<sup>ts</sup> abroad but their is a house allways Provided for his Gov<sup>r</sup> & other necessarys are not to be had here but upon such Extravagant termes as you are all sensible of and if you advise my staye here I hope you will in some measure support it I am far from being unreasonable in my Expectations & what Ever Encouragement you shall minute me on yo<sup>r</sup> Journall for my stay here I have the vanity to believe will be saved to you in my Endeavours otherwayes Gent I mett you w<sup>th</sup> a great Deale of Satisfaction & I hope we shall allways part soe when Ever it pleases god we shall meett & as for myself I shall Ever remember the Reciprocall promises wee Engaged on both sides under our hands for I am Gent. Yo<sup>r</sup> Humble Servant

July 22<sup>d</sup> 1699.

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By the house of Dellegates July 22<sup>d</sup> 1699.

The Message by the Honble Thos Tench & Thos Brookes Esq<sup>rs</sup> has been here recd and read in answer to the Message by M<sup>r</sup> Simon Willmore & others

1: Resolved that the money proposed to his Ex<sup>cy</sup> shall be Immediately paid as proposed out of the Treasury one hund<sup>d</sup> pounds Sterl out of the hands of the Treasurer on the Easterne Shore & one hund<sup>d</sup> & fifty pounds out of the hands of the Treasurer on the Western Shore.

2: To the second thing proposed we Humbly offer th<sup>t</sup> the Act for regulateing the Militia of this Province Power is Given