good & dutiful Loyal Subjects and his just and worthy deserts, Original according to your Excellency's desire we contrived the Assembly to meet the 26th Inst in Expectation of Col Seymours Arrival and her Majesty's Royal Commands, but Col Seymour not being arrived nor any such come to Hand we shall only proceed to compute and defray the publick Charge which will be very little this year

Our President has assured this Board that he never wrote to the R' Honble the Lords of the Council of Trade & foreign Plantations, but only acquainted your Excellency with what he had been informed abt the Revenue of the Governmt with which he has never meddled further than the Moiety according to your Excellency's Settlement when here, and that he has

wrote to Satisfy your Excellency therein

S<sup>r</sup> We cannot overlook your peculiar regard for this Province in the Station you have been pleased, to Act for our Interest as well in your Sollicitations for the royal Assent to our Act for the Establishm<sup>t</sup> of Religion (which we have received) as also for your watchful Diligence to withstand such assaults as have been made for the repealing and abrogating our Land Law which we hope will yet be thought very reasonable & not at all prejudicial to the Lord Baltimore And of this and all other matters wherein you are pleased to Serve the Country as their Agent We Hope not only Our Selves but the whole Province will have a most grateful Sense and make you just & honourable Satisfaction as proposed and concerted in As sembly

> We are Sir Your Excell's most obliged faithful humble Servants

To Col Nathaniel Blakiston in Duke Street Westm<sup>r</sup>

## Thomas Tench

Edw<sup>d</sup> Lloyd

W<sup>m</sup> Holland

James Sanders

Tho<sup>s</sup> Brooke

Rob<sup>t</sup> Smith

Jn<sup>o</sup> Hammond

M<sup>r</sup> John Freeman his Petition read praying Allowance for divers Expresses he had been sent upon for the publick Service. This Board being Sensible of his readiness on these Occasions to serve the Country do recommend to the House of Delegates that he be Considered for his Service in going down to & over Potowmack to fetch the Pacquetts in the first part of the Petition mentioned but as to the latter part of the Petition reject the same for that he was not Employed by this Province

The Board adjourned till 8 of the Clock to Morrow morning