

all the Clerks are to Assist. The Commission to the County Court of Ann Arundell being Burnt Advised and Ordered that a New Commission Issue appointing M<sup>r</sup> John Gresham M<sup>r</sup> Charles Greenberry M<sup>r</sup> John Baldwin M<sup>r</sup> Richard Jones M<sup>r</sup> Amos Garrett M<sup>r</sup> John Brice M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Chambers M<sup>r</sup> Charles Hammond & M<sup>r</sup> Josiah Toogood Commiss<sup>rs</sup> and a Dedimus to Coll Hammond to Swear the Iustices. Lib. C. B.

Advised and resolved that the Brick Building now Standing be Secured by under propping and Shoaring or otherwise as workmen Shall advise p. 19

The Board Desire Coll Hammond to agree with Coll Dorsey to rent his forty foot house next to the State house Hill for the Assembly Provinciall & County Courts to Sitt in.

Read the Proceedings of the Councill the 18<sup>th</sup> of October last Which were Approved of by the Board.

His Excellency Informs the Boarde that he had been informed that M<sup>r</sup> James Heath had Presumed to Send a Copy of the Law for Preventing the Growth of Popery in this Province before the Same Could be sent home by the Government.

Advised that the said M<sup>r</sup> Heath be reprimanded therefore And that the Clerks be cautioned not to lett any Copys be taken of Laws untill they are Sent for England on pain of his Excellencys Displeasure.

Advised and resolved that for the preventing any ffire Especially in the publick Buildings and where the Records are Lodged and other Disorders in the Towne a Trusty Sober person be appointed to go about the Towne at Eight of the Clock and Tenn of the Clock every Night in the Winter to Warne people to have a care of their ffires and to take into his Custody and bring before a Magistrate any Disorderly persons And pursuant thereto His Excellency and the Boarde agreed with M<sup>r</sup> Evan Jones for 10 pounds p Annum to performe that Service. p. 20

Ordered that a Letter be wrote to M<sup>r</sup> Henry Gerrard to tell him his Excellency has heard of his presumption in preaching; but if ever he Dares to do soe without leave first had from his Excellency therefore, he shall be Expel'd this Province.

His Excellency acquaints the Board that he is informed Severall of the Laws made the last Session were Burnt in the State house And requires their Advice in this Disaster Who say that they thinke it Highly expedient the Assembly should meete on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> of November next When this Loss may be Supplied and other Weighty Matters as the Rebuilding the Court house & Settling Lands in Ann Arundell County may be considered.