

amongst Powlsons papers as a thing of no Consequence and therefore did not Concern himself any further about it Lib. X.

Upon which Mr Iobson was again Sworn who deposed as followeth

That the said Bordley was no ways a Promoter Adviser or Instigator in the taking the said Deposition (otherwise then as aforesaid) but that it was Intirely done by him the said Iobson and necessary as he Apprehended for his own safety in delivering up the Bills mentioned in the said deposition

Sworn to at this Board

Thomas Iobson

test

Geo Plater

Whereupon this Board humbly Answer his Excellency as follows

May it please your Excellency

Having taken into our serious Consideration the matter referred to us in relation to the powers necessary for the taking notice of the proceedings of sundry Persons at the taking the Depositions of Thomas Iobson which your Honour was pleased to lay before us we are humbly of Opinion by the Allegations of the said Bordley and by the depositions of the said Iobson this day taken at our Board Concurring therewith that no Affront was designed to the person of the Governor of Maryland in the manner of Giving that Deposition Altho there was just Grounds of Suspecting it until the Circumstances of that Affair had been specially inquired into for the Deponent seems to us in the reason as well as in the manner of giving that Deposition to have no other views than those of Iustifying himself in case any Clamours which he was then very much afraid of should be made against him for the restitution of those Bills of Exchange in the Deposition mentioned from the Parties to whom they had been adjudged by the Courts p. 140

Wee presume therefore to advise your Honour that in our humble Opinion the use of powers not supported by Law is the only means whereby some people may have a handle for Censuring your Honours proceedings with Impunity and therefore hope your Honour will Concurr with us in believing that the use of powers in the present Case are altogether unnecessary and Inconvenient

Ordered by their Honours that search be made amongst the Council Records for a Commission formerly Granted to the Council of this province and produced at the next sitting of this Board