have with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State, issued Lib. C. B. this my Proclamation, to invite his Majestys faithful and Loyal Subjects within this Province, chearfully to inlist themselves to serve in so great and glorious an Enterprize, wherein the Honour of his Majestys Crown, and the Happiness of all his Majestys Subjects, and more especially the Inhabitants of the British Colonies, are so essentially concerned; & wherein there is the greatest Prospect, that such as shall behave themselves well, will advance their Fortunes, as they will by such Behaviour certainly recommend themselves to his Majestys Royal Favour; And I am encouraged to hope that many People in this Province will be induced to enlist, by his Majestys giving the immediate Command of the Forces to be raised in America to the honourable Col Spotswood, who is known to be an Officer of great Experience and Bravery, has lived many years in Virginia, and is personally interested in promoting the Happiness of the Colonies on the Continent, and in doing everything in his Power for the Advantage of the American Troops. And in Order that this my Proclamation may be made known, I do strictly charge and require the several Sheriffs of this Province to publish the same in the usual manner, and also to affix Copies thereof in the most publick Places of their said Counties as they will answer the contrary at their Peril Given at the City of Annapolis this Eleventh Day of April in the 25th Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Dni 1740

At a Council held at the House of his Excellency the Gover- P. 78 nor in the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of April in the twenty Sixth Year of His Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1740.

## Present

His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor

The honourable { Major General Ward } Edmund Jenings Esqr Benj. Tasker Esqr } Col Charles Hammond

His Excellency acquaints the Board that he has nominated Samuel Chamberlain Esq<sup>r</sup> a Member of his Lordships honourable Council, and that he now attends in Order to be qualified

Whereupon the said Samuel Chamberlain takes the Oaths to the Government, and the Oath of a Councillor, and subscribes the Abjuration and Test, and takes his Place at the Board accordingly

This being the Day appointed for the Meeting of the Assembly and His Excellency informing the Board, that he hears there is not a sufficient Number of Members of the Lower