u. h. j. for a Slighting your House and leading you and your Posterity into very great Inconveniencys

And 'tho we shall always shew a great regard for the Welfare of this Province (In which we have as great an Interest as any) and to you their Representatives, yet at the same time you must give us leave to assert our Duty to her Majesty the Honour of this Board & our own Reputations

Signed ꝑ Order   W Bladen Cl Coun.

Sent by Col Coursey Col Ennalls Mr Young Col Greenberry and Col Whittington

It being moved at the Board that there are two Criminalls in the County Goale and that the Charge of their Prison fees would be burthensome to the publick should they lye there until the next Provincial Court in April

Ordered that a Special Commission of Oyer & Terminer & Goal Delivery be directed to the Honble Col Wm Holland L^t Col Charles Greenberry & Cap^t Richard Jones to trye the

p. 727 s^d Criminalls & deliver the Goale of the City of Annapolis on the 27th Inst^t

The House of Delegates resolve of the 25th of October last upon Mr Joseph Lamberts petition being considered & debated

This Board do say they cannot concur therewith and therefore the said Petition is rejected

Upon the Petition of Susannah Pinkham a Molatto woman under Sentence of Death for the Murther of a Bastard Child born of her Body

She being represented by the Honble the Judges of the Provincial Court as an object of her most Sacred Majestys royal Clemency as only Convict by the Provision of the Statute Advised & Resolved that she be reprieved until her Majestys Pleasure be known therein

Col Smithson and five other members from the House bring up the following Message Viz

By the House of Delegates
Novem^r 3^d 1711

We are Sorry your Honours misconstrue our address and may well be ignorant of your having Commands not to displace any Justice without Cause Shewed to her Majesty you never having communicated to us the same

We presume her Majesty knows not that any of them are as well ministerial as Judicial officers nor that the ministerial office is executed without any oath taken.   Certainly if the