

U. H. J. By his Excellency the Governour and Council in Assembly
June 28th 1714

We think fit to recommend to you that whereas sundry Statutes of that part of her Majesty's Kingdom of Great Britain called England have been found very useful & beneficial within this her Majesty's Province of Maryland both in Causes Civil & Criminal And for that It has been often observed that many of the af^d good & beneficial Statutes of England not being local, but seeming General, have some times been asserted as Law and at other Times denyed as such as well by the Lawyers in this Province as the several Courts where they have been pleaded & offered, Which renders the Laws in this Province very dubious & uncertain, Whither It be not absolutely necessary the several Courts should be well informed how to give their Judgm^t upon the s^d Statutes and therefore if It be not advisable your House should join with this Board to state this matter & direct our Agent to procure the opinion of some of her Majestys Council & other Eminent Lawyers whither the s^d Statutes of England are in force within this Province or not to the End her Majestys Subjects here may know by what Rule they walk & the Several Courts of Law how to render their Judgments thereon

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Coun.

p. 913 M^r Garrett & five more brought from the House of Delegates a Bill for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in prosecution of Suits at Law.

By especial Order read in the House of Delegates the first & second times & Endorsed will pass

Which said Bill was read at this Board.

The Petition of Philemon Lloyd Deputy Secretary of this Province Charles Carrol Esq^r & other Agents & Attornys in Fact for divers of her Majestys Subjects in Great Brittain read praying to be heard against the Bill for relieving the Inhabitants from some Aggrievances in the prosecution of Suits at Law

Ordered thereupon that the Petitioners be heard to the said Bill to morrow morning at Eleven of the Clock

M^r Garrett and five more Delegates brought the Engrossed Bill for Settling a Revenue on her Majesty's present Governour.

Read & assented to by the House of Delegates Which was read & assented to by her Majesty's honble Council

The Council adjourned till ten of the Clock to morrow morning