

U. H. J. An Answer whereto was sent by the honble Col Whittington

By his Excellency & the Upper House of Assembly
July the 19th 1716.

His Excellency & this Board gladly embrace any opportunity of dispatching the publick Business And do approve of the times you have appointed to meet & sit every day during this Session & assure you there shall be no delay from this House

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Up Ho.

His Excellency communicated to the Board some Queries he intended to put to M^r Carrol which being read were well approved of by this Board

And M^r Carrol appearing at the Board his Excell. told him that the Commission granted him by the Lord Proprietary & his Guardian is now under the Consideration of this Board

And thereupon his Excellency the Governour demanded of the said M^r Carrol

First Whether He acquainted their Lordships the Right Honble the Lord Proprietary & his Guardian of the Acts of Parliament of England made in the 15th year of the Reign of King Charles the Second Entituled an Act for the Encouragement of Trade & An Act made in the 7th & 8th years of King William Entituled an Act for preventing frauds & regulating Abuses in the Plantation Trade, as well as the Act made in the 12th Year of King Charles the Second for Encouraging & Encreasing of Shipping before he obtained the said Commission

2^{dly} Whether He did not acquaint the Secretary to the Honble Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs when he came to present his Commission relating to the Naval Office & to have his Security for executing thereof approved That He would take the Oaths appointed by Law when he came upon the place where He was to execute the said Commission And whither He ever informed the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs that He was a Roman Catholick or not

3^{dly} How came He to take upon him the Office of Escheator General in this Province, (which is an Office of Record) & the Office of Naval Officer as well as Receiver General of the publick Revenue of this Province when He knew his Intention of not taking the Oath of Abjuration enjoined to be taken & Subscribed by all Persons within this Province holding or Enjoying any Office or Place of Trust