Lib. J. R. At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday & U. S. the first of November in the seventh Year of his Lordships dominion Annoq Domini 1757.

## Present

 $\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor} \\ & \text{Benjamin Tasker Esq^r} \\ & \text{Col Charles Hammond} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Col Benjamin Tasker} \\ \text{Benedict Calvert Esq^r} \\ \text{Sam^l Chamberlain} \\ & \text{Esq^r} \end{array}$ 

Ordered that the Clerk of this Board draw an Order on the honourable Col: Edward Lloyd Treasurer of the Eastern Shore payable to M<sup>r</sup> Henry Walls or Order for twenty five pounds sterling, being his yearly Salary as Armourer of this Province, ending the 29<sup>th</sup> of September last to be paid out of the Duty of 3<sup>d</sup> p. Hhd for Arms &c.

p. 203 His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter.

30th June 1757.

I find several of our Colonies are become fond of giving large Rewards for Scalps; if those Rewards were confined to their own People it would be a very laudable Thing, in as much as it would be the Means of animating many poor white Men who have been used to the Woods to go in Quest of the Enemy Indians, and it would afford that Support to some of them in particular who have been driven from their own Habitations in the back Settlements by the War which they are certainly the best intitled to; but as those Rewards are intended and offered chiefly to the Indians the Case is very different, for besides that this is truly and literally interfering (which I have Reason to believe the several Governors have been cautioned not to do) with the Management of the Things two Super Intendants thrô whose Hands all Presents and Rewards whatever to the Indians in his Alliance ought to pass, it encouraging to the utmost private scalping whereby the most innocent and helpless Persons, even Women and Children are properly murthered without the least Benefit accruing by it, Actions becoming only the greatest Savages, and unworthy of any Christian People to reward. I am well assured Lord Loudoun detests that Practice, and that the French General Moncalm in Canada does the same, Sir William Johnson gives no Reward at all in particular for Scalps by Name, the Warriors fitted out by him to War deliver to him at their Return all that they bring back, and he afterwards presents them to the Relations of such as lose their