

Lib. J. R. his Council of State within this Province and that he attends
& U. S. in order to be Qualified, Who takes the Several Oaths to the Government required by Law, and also the Oath of a Councillor and Repeats & Subscribes the Abjuration and Test, and takes his place at the Board accordingly

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board a Return of the Justices of Ann Arundel County Court whereby it appears that they have passed Sentence of Death on Negro Joe the Slave of James Weemes for the murder of Richard Price his Overseer. Who Advise his Excellency that Dead Warrant should issue for the Execution of the said Negro Joe on Wednesday the 19th Instant to be hung in Chains as near the Place where the fact was committed as Conveniently can be.

The following Members of the Council being met in the Council Chamber prepared An Address to the Right honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province and desired his Excellency would be pleased to transmit the same to his Lordship which is as follows.

The hon- ourable	{	Benjamin Tasker Esq ^r	}	Benedict Calvert Esq ^r
		Col George Plater		Col William Goldsborough
		Col Charles Hammond		

To the Right honourable Frederick Lord Baltimore Lord Proprietary of the Province of Maryland.

The humble Address of your Lordships Council

May it please Your Lordship

Your Lordships Exceptions to the Inspection Law having been notified by his Excellency the Governor to the Lower house of Assembly, and by the obstinate adherence of that Branch of Our Legislature to every part of the Act, that most convenient, useful, and necessary Regulation being in hazard of Expiring, We presume to lay before your Lordship, with all imaginable deference, some observations upon those Clauses to which your Lordship has been pleased to Object and humbly hope, as we most ardently wish, with the assistance of your Lordships Inclination to determine favourably in a Case of so great consequence to the Peace and welfare of your Province, that your Lordship will be induced to give your final Sanction to the Act

To avoid perplexity we beg leave to State the Substance of your Ldps principal objections and apply our observations under the five following heads.