

Government and the Protestant Intrest within this Province L. H. J. there are these words following th^t no person or persons whatsoever shall be Capable of holding executing or enjoying any Office Deputacōn or Trust wthin this Province whatsoever shall presume to execute or Enjoy any such Office Deputacōn or trust Contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Present Act the Comⁿ Deputacōn or Authority of such Person or Persons is made void And he or they are to suffer the penalties as by the said Act is Declared which words to some seem so generall that they Think the Trusts Authorities or Powers granted Between Man and Man in their Private Transactions may be Affected thereby which is Surely more than what is Consonant to the Laws of Great Brittain. You are therefore to endeavour the said act be reenacted with this foll^o [proviso] or that some Declaratory Law or C[1]ause in a Law be made to the same Effect.

Provided nevertheless that this Present Act or any thing therein Contained shall not extend or be Construed to extend to the negotiation or Management of the Private Affairs of any person or persons whatsoever so as Such Negotiation or Management shall not in any wise relate to the Administracōn of the Government of this province.

And Having put the Question to this House whether there is anything contained in that act th^t can be Deemed or Construed to extend that the trusts Authorities or powers granted between Man and Man in their Private Transactions is Affected thereby.

'Tis by this house answered that, that Act has no relacōn to any authorities or Powers Granted between Man and Man in their Private Transactions.

We having offered you this our Opinion Desire the Opinion of your House likewise hereon.

Signed p Ord^r Jn^o Beard Cl up ho :

Coll Hynson Appears in the House.

Col^o Smyth from the upper House Delivers M^r Speaker the following Message on a report made to that house by Col^o Young Cap^t Greenfield and M^r Lloyd Viz. Pursuant to an Order of the upper House of Assembly, Dated the 3^d of June 1717 M^r Ja^s Lloyd and Cap^t Thomas Truman Greenfield are appointed by the lower House of Assembly to join with the Hon^{ble} Samuells Young Esq^r Appointed by the upper House to inspect into the Laws of Maryland for a Law made in the year 1681 for the Punishment of such as should Presume to Counterfeit his Lpp's great Scale of this Province.