L. H. J. that the Act of 1704, or any other Act giving or granting to the Lib. No. 45 most sacred Majesty, his or her Heirs and Successors, a tax or other duty, was not meant or Intended to extend to his Lordship the Lord Proprietary of Maryland his Heirs or Assigns; and which is Clearly evinced in the act Entituled an Act for Transferring the payment of all such fines and forfeitures as shall hereafter arise or happen upon the Breach of any Penal Laws of this province to the Right Honourable the Lord proprietary as by the said Act in the printed body of laws, folio 170 relation thereunto being had may fully appear And we humbly presume, that in no Construction of the words, sense Intendment or reason of the said act of Assembly, or by the Royal Charter, his Lordship Can be any ways Entitled to the said duty Granted to her most sacred Majesty of pious Memory, her Heirs and Successors the Support of Government for the time being, his said Lordship, nor his predecessors, being any ways party to the said Law, the grant of Customs and Subsidies in the Royal Charter in the following words Viz. We do furthermore will, appoint and ordain, and by these presents for us our Heirs and Successors, we do grant p. 825 unto the now Lord Baltimore his Heirs and Assingns, that he the said Lord Baltimore his Heirs and Assigns, may from time to time for ever have and Enjoy the Customs and Subsidies in the ports, Harbours, and other Creeks and Places, aforesaid within the province aforesaid, payable or due for Merchandize and wares, there to be Laded or unladed, the said Customs and Subsidies to be reasonably Assessed (upon any Occasion) by themselves and the people there as aforesaid; to whome we give Power by these Presents for us our Heirs and Successors, upon Just cause, and in due proportion, to Assess and Impose the same, and your Committee beg leave further to observe, that the Legislators made a manifest Difference between the government of the Crown and his Lordships Government, as appears by an Act Entituled an Act for the Continuance of Process within this province, on the Change of Government as by the said Act, in the printed body of Laws, folio 169 relation thereunto being had, may more fully and at Large appear. and we beg leave to The Compi- observe, that the same also further appears from an Act made at a lation is that Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis on 1727 the 17th day of July in the first year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. Annoque Domini 1716 Entituled an Act for the better Security of the peace and Safety of his Lordships Government and the Protestant Interest within this Province as by the said Act, also in the printed Body of laws, folio 161, relation thereunto being had, may more fully and at large appear. And his Lordship planly Manifests the same daily, in his writs and Other proceeding, wherein he dates the year of his

Dominion, Commencing the same from the Year in which his late most Gracious Royal Majesty of Glorious memory was pleased to