

U. H. J. Inhabitants as had taken up Lands by Maryland Rights in their Possessions under this Government: And in those Prosecutions his Lordship was no otherwise concerned than he would be, in supporting in any other Part of the Province, the Properties of his Tenants, the Peace of the People, and consequentially the Rights of his Charter; Therefore Your Reason, if a good One, may as well be applied to Every Other Publick Prosecution as these: you are, Gent<sup>n</sup> certainly very much misinformed, in what you mention of his Majestys Disapprobation of those Prosecutions; It is very true, that by his  
 p. 35 Majestys Orders all Prisoners on both sides on Account of those Riots & Disturbances were discharged, but so far were those Orders from being founded on the least Motive or Suggestion, that such Prosecutions were unwarrantable or illegal, and so far was his Majesty from expressing any Disapprobation or Censure on them, that His Majesty on the contrary was pleased to order, that the Prisoners should enter into their own respective Recognizances in a reasonable Sum to appear and submit to a Tryal when called upon by farther Order from his Majesty, therefore We hope you will consider, that the Secretary and Attorney General being obliged by their Offices to do those Publick Services upon the faith and Credit of the Publick, their fees now claimed ought in Honour and Justice to be allowed.

As to your Disallowance of the 3213£ of Tobacco to the Clerk of the Council, Part of it is for Services done at the Request and for the Use of your own Committee of Aggrievances, and which cannot be said to be done by Virtue of his Office; the other Part relates to Pardons and which Allowances have been always hitherto made by the Publick to the Clerk of the Council: We cannot comprehend why you think the Charge of 120:7:9 Currency claimed by the Clerk of the Council to be unreasonable, since he charges only 4½ Currency p side, M<sup>r</sup> Denton and Others were formerly allowed 3<sup>d</sup> p Side in Gold, and the Difference between Gold & Paper is now generally esteemed to be 50 p Cent, besides, this Disallowance must be thought more unaccountable, after your own Allowance of his first Account at 4½d. p side by Your Message of the 4<sup>th</sup> of June 1739, therefore upon the whole We trust you will insert all these several Allowances that the Journal may pass and the Publick Creditors be paid

Signed p Order John Ross Ct Up H.

Adjourned till two of the Clock in the Afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the Morning

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock