sumed to Encroach on and build Fortresses within his Majestys U.H. J. Teritories, But we cannot prevail with our selves to believe that this March 10 Bill will have any such Effect but rather that the Imposition of an Additional duty on every English Servant into this Province Seems Calculated to impede such a Settlement and we leave to your Consideration whether it would not be better in such a Conjuncture as the present to encourage the Importation of Loyal English Subjects by a bounty than to deter them from Coming among us, by laying a duty on their heads at their Arrival with Respect to that Clause that imposes an Additional duty on Criminals we fear it may be Deemed to Clash with his Majestys Authority and that by Consenting thereto We may draw a Censure from the Throne and Run the Risque of incurring his Majestys displeasure We could Suggest many other Reasons against this Bill, but not doubting but what we have already said will be Sufficient to Convince you of the Impropriety of the Bill in its present form. We hope the fervent Zeal for his Majestys Service and the Common Cause that actuated you to Vote for such a Generous Supply will incline You to Testify your Sincere Intentions by framing a very Different Bill from that which We now return you

Signed p Order John Ross Ct Up. Ho.

Richard Lee Esq. from the Committee Appointed to Inspect the Accounts and proceedings of the Commissioners of the Paper Currency Office brings in the following Report viz.t

Maryland ss.t

At a Committee of both houses of Assembly Appointed to Inspect the office and proceedings of the Commissioners for Emiting Bills of credit established by Act of Assembly

## 26 February 1755

## Were Present

The Honourable Richard Lee Esq. of the Upper House

M. Walter Dulany, M. Michael Earle Cot John Henry, M. James Edge Col John Henry, M. James Edge
Cap. John Handy M. Josiah Bealle and of the lower house M.r John Bracco

Who make Choice of the honourable Richard Lee Esq. Chairman and Richard Dorsey their Clerk and proceed to make the following Report

Your Committee find by the Office Books that there Remains of the £29990 a Ballance in the Iron Chest of £937..12..5\frac{1}{2} unapplyed as p the following Account

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