U. H. J.

I am of Opinion that by the Charter of Maryland, the Lord Liber No. 35
April 18
Proprietary hath a Right to nominate all Officers in General Civil as well as military

> Q: 2: Whether there is any Thing particular in the Nature of the Office of Treasurer of either Shore to exempt it from the said Nomination?

> It does not appear to me that there is any Thing so particular in the Office of Treasurer of either Shore as to take the Right of Nomination to that Office from the Lord Proprietary and give it to any other Person.

> O: 3: Whether a few Precedents in this Case of a Treasurer being appointed by the tripartite Concurrence of both Houses of Assembly and the Governor can or do overthrow his Lordship's Right?

> All the Precedents except one being between 1692: and 1716: when my Lord Baltimore was out of Possession, I am of Opinion that they will not overthrow his Lordship's Right founded upon such plain Words in the Charter.

> Q: 4: Whether the Precedents hereto annexed do divest the Proprietary of his Right of Nomination to the Office of Treasurer or Treasurers, the said Treasurer or Treasurers so nominated giving the Security the Law directs?

> The Treasurer or Treasurers when nominated by the Lord Proprietary must give such Security as the Law directs to the other Part of this Query I have given an Answer already

> > J Willes 22.d January 1736.

[See Archives of Maryland, xxviii, pp. 119-120]

If the Charter did not determine this Matter in favour of Lord Baltimore we must take the Liberty to assure you that we would not suffer our Estates to be taxed by Officers deriving their Power from your sole Nomination, and who naturally think themselves peculiarly accountable for their Conduct to yourselves.

We presume that the Officers appointed by the Bill should have Rewards proportioned to their Services, the Trust reposed in them, and the Trouble attending the Execution of it, and That, whether p. 272 these Services are added to Duties incident to a previous Appointment made by the Government or constitute the whole Duty of the Officers intended to be originally created by the Bill; but these Rules have not been observed by the Bill

The Commissioners of the Loan Office are directed by the Bill to sign, number and date £10000: of the blank Bills now in the Office, the highest Denomination whereof is 20/ they are to superintend the Printer whilst he shall print, strike, and stamp new Bills of