Ordered, That John Clapham, Esquire, Sheriff of Ann Arundel L.H.J. County immediately attend at the Bar of this House, and produce to Cott. 17 this House the Proclamation issued on the 26.th Day of November 1770 in the Name of his Excellency the Governor, and published by the said John Clapham, as Sheriff of Ann Arundel County, relative to the ffees of all or any of the Officers of this Province

Ordered, That the Clerk of this House do forthwith deliver to the Serjeant at Arms attending this House a Copy of the above Order.

Ordered, That the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do forthwith serve the said John Clapham with a Copy of the above Order

M.r Grahame brings in and delivers to M.r Speaker a Bill reviving and continuing An Act entitled An Act to establish a Market at the Market House in Chester Town in Kent County and for the Regulation of the said Market. And A Bill entitled An Act continuing An Act entitled An Act for the Preservation of the Breed of ffish

The House being informed that M. John Clapham, Sheriff of Ann Arundel County was attending at the Door, Ordered, That he be called in, and he appeared accordingly; and at the Bar presented to the House a Proclamation.

Ordered, That the Clerk of this House do take a Copy thereof and make it a Part of these Proceedings. Which he accordingly did; and it follows in these Words Viz.t

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By his Excellency Robert Eden Esquire Lieutenant General and Chief Governor in and over the Province of Maryland

A PROCLAMATION

Being desirous to prevent any Oppressions and Extortions from being committed under Colour of Office by any of the Officers and p. 211 Ministers of this Province and every of them their Deputies or Substitutes in exacting unreasonable and excessive Fees from the Good People thereof I have thought fit with the Advice of his Lordship's Council of State to issue this my Proclamation And do therefore hereby Order and Direct that from and after the Publication hereof no Officer or Officers (the Judges of the Land Office excepted who are subject to other Regulation to them given in Charge) their Deputies or Substitutes by Reason or Colour of his or their Office or Offices have, receive, demand or take of any Person or Persons directly or indirectly any other or greater Fees than by an Act of Assembly of this Province entitled "An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs and for the Limitation of Officers Fees" made and passed at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the fourth Day of October Seventeen hundred and sixty three were limitted and allowed; or take or receive of any Person or Persons