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At a Council held at the Town and Port of Annapolis Thursday April the 4th 1700 and in the 12th year of his Majestys Reign &c.

Present

His Excellency the Governor &c.

	Colo. Henry Jowles	of his Majestys honble Council
The honble	Thomas Tench Esq.	Mr. William Dent his
	Colo. John Hammond	Majestys Attorney General

His Excellency acquaints the Gentlemen of the Council that the Reason of his now calling them is this

That on Monday the 25th of March last being upon the Road near South River in Company with his Excellency Colo. Nicholson his Majestys Governor of Virginia he met with Mr. Samuel Chew, Richard Johns, Samuel Galloway and Nehemiah Birkhill who gave him a certain Order under Seal of his Majesty in Council which is as Followeth

(At the Court at Kensington the 30th November 1699.

Present

The Kings most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by Powers Granted under the Great Seal of England ~~to Colo.~~ Francis Nicholson Captain General and Governor in chief of his Majestys Province of Maryland in America dated the 10th day of February in the fifth year of his Majestys Reign as also to Colo. Nathaniel Blakiston Captain General and Governor in chief of the said Province dated the 19th day of October in the tenth Year of his Majestys Reign the Governor Council and Assembly of that Province have been impowered to Constitute and Ordain laws which are to be in force until his Majestys Pleasure be signified to the Contrary and forasmuch as in Pursuance of the said Powers two laws have past in the General Assembly of the said province in the years 1696 & 1699 the first entitled an act for the Establishment of the Protestant Religion within this Province wherein is a Clause declaring all the laws of England to be in force in Maryland which Clause is of another Nature then what is set forth by the Title of the said law the other law being an Act declaring the laws of this Province which laws having been perused by the lords Commissioners of Trade and Plantations and thereupon presented at this Board for his Majestys Determination concerning the said laws

His Majesty in Council is pleased to signify his Disapprobation and Disallowance of the said laws and According to his Majestys Pleasure the said laws are hereby repealed and declared Void and of none Effect

John Povey