

Government that they do not presume to certify for any greater quantity of
Tobacco than for which the Duty shall be first answered & paid to them, &
And that in their Certificates they do mention both the Number of hogheads
Bundles & Trusses and the exact Weight thereof, & are,

Upper House, Lond.
16th March 1693

Your humble Servants
Jo. Warden
Robt. Southwell
P. Ward
Robt. Clayton

Directed thus
For the Hono: -

Francis Nicholson Esq Governor
of their Ma^{ty}s Colony of Maryland

Colo. Robotham permitted
to retire home

His Hono: Colo. Robotham being lately come from England and not as yet
born at home since his arrivall, humbly desired the leave of his Ex^{ty}
and the Board to retire home, which was accordingly granted him.

Capt. Bayne set about
his place Requested

Petition of Capt. John Bayne, moving about the Sheriff's place of St
Marys County, being dead, was rejected; Capt. God being made Sheriff
by Ord^r of Council yesterday.

Richard Sheppards set
forward to the Commission
of the County Court for Answer

Petition of Richard Sheppard of Calvert County, Road setting forth
some ill Usage he received in that County Court; ORDERED that the
Petition be referred to the Commissioners of the said County Court
and that they Return Answer to this Board with all convenient Speed.

Colo. Greenbary delivers
the Broad Seal to
his Ex^{ty}

The hono: Colo. Nicholas Greenbary delivered to his Ex^{ty} at the Board
the Broad Seal of the Province, the which his Ex^{ty} was pleased to leave
upon the Board with the Gentlemen of the Council to be put in the
Custody and Charge of such person as they shall think fit; but upon
consideration had it was agreed upon to be his Ex^{ty}s Right and that
the same should be returned to his Ex^{ty} again to dispose thereof as
seems best to his Ex^{ty} and thereupon Sir Thomas Laurence took
Charge of the same to deliver it to his Ex^{ty}

His Ex^{ty} proposed whether
the calling an As-
sembly was requisite

Proposed by his Ex^{ty} to the Council whether there was occasion of
calling an Assembly signifying to them that as he would not be
wanting in his Duty to their Ma^{ty}s when it was for their Service to
have one neither would he put the Countrey to Charge when there was
not an absolute Necessity to call an Assembly and therefore
would have them consider well of it.

Michell