

Maryland

A Council met in held at the
Port of Annapolis the Month day of March 1697
in the tenth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord
King William the third

ARCHIVES
OF THE STATE OF
MARYLAND.

Present

His Excellency Francis Nicholson Esq
Captain General &c

Humble } Mr. Thomas Lawrence Bart. Secy
} Coll^o Henry Lovell Chanceller
} Thomas Tench Esq
} Colonel John Addison
} Thomas Brooke Esq

His Excellency is pleased to produce to the Board in Writing what he intends to lay before the house of Delegates at the opening of the Assembly which was well approved of as also his Majesty's speech to both houses of Parliament the same part whereof he thinks very convenient to lay before the house likewise

Lawrence Sadlers petition of Baltimore County for remittance of a Fine read & granted

Produced the Sheriff of Baltimore Countys return to the warrant issued against Hans Tilman & Browne with depositions & Recognizance taken for Brownes appearance at the Provincial Court to answer &c Ordered that the said papers be delivered to his Majesty's Lawyers for prosecution &c Ordered that Inquiry be made of what presents Coll^o Kerman took of the Indians & advised that a Law be made to punish such persons as take any presents of the Indians in behalf of the Government or treat with them about any thing without being legally Authorized therunto

Produced a Letter by his Excellency received from the honorable Coll^o John Courts of the 20th of February last past signifying his Inability to travel through Sickness which