

Accounting with the Officers & People was thought very inconsiderable.

A Council held in the Council Chamber on Thursday the 11th day of March in the fourth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoque Domini 1755.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor

The honourable { Benjamin Tasher Esq. } Richard Lee Esq.
 { Col. George Plater } Benedict Calvert Esq.
 { Benjamin Tasher }

His Excellency is pleased to acquaint this Board that his Lordship had appointed Col. William Goldsborough, one of his Council of State within this Province and that he attends in order to be Qualified, Who takes the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, and also the Oath of a Councillor and Repeats & Subscribes the Abjuration and Test, and takes his place at the Board accordingly.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board a Return of the Justices of Annapundel County Court whereby it appears that they have passed Sentence of Death on Negro Joe the Slave of James Weemes for the Murder of Richard Price his Overseer. Who advise his Excellency that Dead Warrant should issue for the Execution of the said Negro Joe on Wednesday the 19th Instant to be hung in chains as near the Place where the fact was committed as conveniently can be.

The following Members of the Council being met in the Council Chamber prepared an Address to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province and desired his Excellency would be pleased to transmit the same to his Lordship which is as follows.

The honourable { Benjamin Tasher Esq. } Benedict Calvert Esq.
 { Col. George Plater }
 { Col. Charles Hammond } Col. William Goldsborough

To the Right Honourable Frederick Lord Baltimore Lord Proprietary of the Province of Maryland

The humble Address of your Lordships Council

May it please Your Lordship

Your Lordships Exceptions to the Inspection Law having been notified by his Excellency the Governor to the Lower House of Assembly, and by the obstinate adherence of that Branch of our Legislature to every part of the Act; that most convenient, useful, and necessary Regulation being in hazard of expiring, We presume to lay before your Lordship, with all imaginable deference, some Observations upon those Clauses to which your Lordship has been pleased to Object: and humbly hope, as we most ardently wish,