

The same was brought by Major Hammond and Major Dent who presented likewise a certain Bill presented to by the House for the payment of £154. 5. 3 p. according to the Resolves of the House which being read was likewise presented to by his Majesty's honourable Council and Read to the members they also signified that they recommended to acquaint his Excellency that the House is wady to attend him in order to complye this before they are told that this Board is ready to receive them

Came accordingly M^r Speaker attended with the whole House who being admitted presents unto his Excellency the following Bills Viz for his Assent

An Act for Confirming Titles of Land given to the use of Churches &c

An Additional Act to the Act of Assembly entituled an Act for speedy Justice for small debts &c

An Act ascertainment how and when Execution shall be granted for publick Officers fee

An Act Impowering M^r Herman to sell a lot of Land in this port

An Act Impowering the Commissioners of each respective County to purchase Land for the use of their Courts

An Act directing and Appointing to what use the several Rooms in the State House in the Town and port of Annapolis shall be appointed

An Act for Reformation of Testaments in Maryland

An Act for quieting the differences arising between the Indians and English in private Controversies

An Act for the Naturalization of Stephen Francis an Italian of George Baycomb a German born

An Act for the Ascertainment what shall be the duty in and upon returns by them made of publick duties and Officers fees

An Act for Apportioning the publick Levy

An Act for payment of £154. 5. 3 1/2

The said Bills were all carefully revised and perused his Excellency being pleased to Express his Assent to the same by the following Endorsement Ordeed and by him signed to Viz

At the port of Annapolis June the 11th 1697

On behalf of his Majesty King William the third I will thus to be Laws
For Nicholson

Afterwards the said laws passed the Broad Seal of this Province

The honble Sir Thomas Lawrence Baronet Secretary to whom the custody of the map of the Town of the port of Annapolis was committed produced to the whole Assembly the said Map casually spoiled in some parts by the rats who upon view thereof are of Opinion the same may without much trouble and Charge be mended

M^r Speaker presents to his Excellency several Addresses which being read were well approved of and signed as follows viz

A Congratulatory Address to his Majesty signed by his Excellency the Governor his Majesty's honourable Council and House of Delegates

An Address of thanks to his Majesty for appointing the right honourable the lords of the Council of trade &c signed by his Majesty's honourable Council and House of Delegates

An Address to his Majesty relating to Trade and Navigation signed by his Majesty's honourable Council and House of Delegates

An Address to the right honourable the lords of the Council for trade &c relating to the Assistance to be given to New York signed by his Majesty's honourable Council and House of Delegates

An Address to the right honourable the lords of the Council for Trade &c about the bounds of Maryland signed by his Majesty's honourable Council and House of Delegates

Afterwards his Excellency was pleased to beparsh the Assembly in manner and to the Effect following

M^r Speaker and you Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses I thank God that this