

Ordered That Col^o Walter Smith, Mr John Whittington and Mr Robert Tyler be a Committee of Aggravations and that they report the same to the House

Ordered That Mr James Philips, Mr Joseph Hill, and Mr John Bradford be Committee to examine, state and settle the public Accounts of the Province

Col^o Charles Greenbury, Col^o Nicholas Lowe, Capt John West, Major Geo. Gale, Mr Robert Skinner and Mr Samuel Worthington be and are appointed by the House appointed a Committee of Laws.

The Gentlemen of the Conference enter the House and deliver Mr Speaker the following Report.

To his Excellency the Governor, Honble Council and House of Delegates
By the Conference appointed for enquiring into the Charter of the City of Annapolis and the Liberties and Privileges thereby granted hold at the House of Major John Trooman December 2nd 1708. The Conference being not pursuant to the Message from his Excellency and Council proceed to examine the Matter contained in the Charter and on Debate thereof its humbly considered as the best Expedient to prevent further Disputes on that Subject for it to be established and confirmed by an Act of Assembly for that Purpose to be made allowing the said Citizens ^{to} the Liberties ^{given and mentioned in the said Charter so far that it may no wise infringe the Liberties & Privileges} and Privileges of the Public either in regard to publick Lands or Buildings by them heretofore purchased and to which they are lawfully and rightfully entitled and desire the same may be reserved and continued for the same Ends and Purposes they were purchased and designed and have heretofore been hold and enjoyed and not otherwise and that the Justices and Commissioners of Ann Arundel County may continue to hold their Courts in the said House as usual — It is further reported by the Conference that a Clause be inserted in such Law to be made that the Representatives for the said City have half the usual Allowance of the Delegates of each County and no more — As to that Part of the Charter relating to the Recorder this Conference humbly conceive the Person appointed thereupon as Recorder is not qualified by Law for that Office in regard he is exempt by Law as not having been a Resident here for three Years It is likewise proposed that the Justices of the County Courts ^{to} may enjoye continue their usual Liberties of executing their Office of Justices of Peace within the said City of Annapolis in as full and ample Manner as heretofore and that all Byo Laws which shall hereafter be made by the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen ^{to} be not any ways binding to any other Inhabitants of the Province save only in Relation to the Citizens of Annapolis. —