

of the building be defrayed out of the Revenue of 3^d of the Tobacco
Exported appropriated to purchase of arms & Ammunition not exceeding
such reasonable sum as shall be thought convenient.

Signed for order, W. Bladen Clerk of the Ho.

Col. Hoskins from the Committee to view the Prison delivered Mr. Speaker
the following Report (vizt.)

A Committee appointed on Wednesday the 8th of August 1716
By the Lower House of this present General Assembly to view and
Inspect the publick Prison at the City of Annapolis and to make
their Report thereof to the House,

The Gent. appointed are

Col. Philip Hoskins.

Maj. Josiah Wilson.

St. Col. John Ward.

Whereupon the said Committee proceeded to view and Inspect the
said Prison and do find the said Prison to be very much decayed
the wooden work being rotten and the Stone work undermined it
being but just layd within the Grounds.

Wee therefore humbly offer to the house for the Repair of the
said Prison, It is necessary that a floor of Lynch white Oak Sleepers
of seven Inches deep be laid close together on the Lower floor of the
said Prison and be layd with two Inch white Oak plank each side
plank to be well spiked down to the end of each Sleeper the rest of the
plank to be well Tunnelled.

Signed for order John Beale Clerk of the Com^{rs}.

Edward Smith of Annapolis undertakes to performe the said
work by the 8th day of October next for which he is to be paid out of the
publick Stock remaining in the hands of Saml. Young Esq. 20th of the
Money on his producing a Certificate to him of having done the said
work under the hands of Mr. George Valentine & Thomas Docura or
either of them.

The following Engrossed Bills were read and assented to by the
Lower House of Assembly this 8th day of Aug. 1716 & severally

Signed for order, Tho. Maennera Clerk of the Ho.

An Engrossed Bill ascertaining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco &c.
to prevent Cropping and defacing of Tobacco &c.

An Engrossed Bill for Confirming a conveyance of land made by
Joseph Bridges deced to Thomas Jones deced.

An Engrossed Bill for Confirming 3 tracts of land in Annapundell
County to Susannah Johnson and her heirs &c.

Which said four last mentioned Engrossed Bills were sent to the
up house by Mr. Stoddert, Mr. Tyler, Cap^t. Marriater, Mr. Turbutt.