

our Duty to let you into y^e true reasons and Motives the y^educed us to make one other act of Assembly to Disable Tho: Muenemara Esq. in his practice of the Law (all cases of the Crowne excepted) you Lordships have already met wth but too much trouble on that head and we may reasonably believe y^e your w^{ch} Desires of and did respect to put an end to y^e affair by requiring him to make such reasonable Submission as should be approved of by y^e Govern^r & Council. But such is the unhappy temper of y^e y^e that neither y^e Situation nor y^e y^e work any thing upon his stubborn Spirit as y^e y^e perceived by the relation of his behaviour before the y^e house and by a representⁿ of the Justices of the y^e Court w^{ch} w^{ch} other matters relating unto his Insolent behaviour are entered upon our Journal in assembly it was upon these considerations y^e y^e low: house Resolved y^e y^e Contradict to bring in a Bill to deprive the said Thomas Muenemara Esq. of his practice as the most effectual means to prevent the like & abuses and Indignities for the future.

Thus my Lords we have laid before you the true state of the most Publick Transactions of this Session, we have taken care to regulate our Proceedings in such wise as to give your y^e no mannered umbrage if the good people of this Province have any thing more in view then the Honor Dignity & true interest of the Noble Family of Battemore and the y^e of Maryland, under a Protestant Establishment secured by such good and wholesome Laws as may be able to protect it against all the endeavours of our secret & professed Enemies.

We further humbly beg leave to lay before you Lordships an account of the most oppressive proceedings of Maurice Birchfield Esq. w^{ch} great Numbers of y^e Inhabit. of this Province w^{ch} has been represented and agreed to be an aggrievance by both houses of Assembly, (to wit) -

That they have been Subp^a to app^r at y^e High Court of Chancery to answer the Bills of Complaint of Maurice Birchfield upon a suggestion y^e they were Indebted to a certain John Goodwin and other Merchants in London before making any demands or giving notice of such his Claims some of w^{ch} never had any dealing with the Merchants they are charged debtors to, others have been charged Instead of Debt^r and many that were debtors did by the said Merchants own accounts owe but very small and trifling - which by our Laws are not cognizable in the Chancery Court not wth standing which such y^e have been obliged to make answers and defend their suites to their