

“ being added to it by any Act passed in 1699, ’till the Year 1704, as  
 “ abovementioned.

Now let us see what you say in Answer to this: “ It hereby appears  
 “ to this House, as it did to their Committee (and which they were  
 “ ready to evince, and to that purpose ordered their Clerk to attend)  
 “ that the Act made in Sixteen Hundred and Ninety Two, entituled,  
 “ *An Act for Settlement of an annual Revenue upon their Majesty’s*  
 “ *Governor within this Province for the Time being,* and Recorded  
 “ in *Lib. L. L. fol. 21, &c.* was at a Session of Assembly, held at  
 “ the Port of *Annapolis* the Twenty eighth Day of *June*, Sixteen  
 “ Hundred and Ninety Nine, continued as a Law of this Province,  
 “ and as such is Recorded among other Laws then past and continued,  
 “ in another Record Book *L. L. fol. 30, &c.* with some small Variation  
 “ from the former, and is likewise named in a Catalogue of the  
 “ Titles of Laws which are continued in Force by an Act passed  
 “ at the said Session of Sixteen Hundred and Ninety Nine, and  
 “ Recorded in the same Book, and which Act of Sixteen Hundred  
 “ and Ninety Nine is acknowledged to be such by both Houses of  
 “ Assembly in several Messages which passed at a Session *Anno* Seventeen  
 “ Hundred and Twenty Three.”

Now I must say, that however you may endeavour by this Paragraph  
 to palliate or conceal such a fundamental Error in the Report, as de-  
 stroys the whole Train of Reasoning in it, it certainly neither denies nor  
 contradicts what I advanced in the Paragraph above recited.

I know very well that the Act of 1692, was at a Session of Assembly  
 held at *Annapolis* the 28th Day of *June* 1699, continued as a Law of  
 this Province; But I affirm that it was no other Way continued but by  
 not being Repealed, and I now desire your House to shew me the Law  
 of 1699 that continued it, and which Law of 1699, you say, con-  
 tinued till the Year 1704: If your House knows of such a Law, it  
 is certainly using the Government unkindly not to point it out, and if  
 you have found that there is no such Law, it is but doing Justice to  
 the Government to own it; The Committee did indeed order their  
 Clerk to attend, but I believe he will not say, that he told me where  
 to find the said Law of 1699 now in Question, if he had, I should not  
 have applied to your Committee, and now at last been obliged to apply  
 to your House for Information.

I return you Thanks for what you say, of your Readiness to do any  
 reasonable Thing in your Power to procure a good Understanding be-  
 tween the Government and People, and I can in return truly assure  
 you,