

paid for their Trouble, and propose a Bill for raising a Fund to that Purpose.

The Upper House tells us, You shall not have that Bill, unless you let the Governor and Us, or rather the Proprietary (with whom we contest) have as well the Nomination of the Persons to be made use of on this Occasion, as determine what, or if any thing, shall be paid them for their Trouble.

The Reproach not only on this House but on all the Province, couched under the Word Relative to a Guardian, should, we assure you, have been Answered in Terms it deserved, were it not that we are fully determined nothing you can say, or do, shall draw us into any Thing may give you the least pretence for a Rupture, which might prevent the Execution of the publick Business, and prove an intolerable Charge to the People.

The Possibility you mention of the Trustees betraying the Trust reposed in them, will have very little Weight with the World, since the like supposition may, with equal Propriety, be applied to all Trusts of the kind, unless you would have us believe your Honours to be the only infallible Persons in the World, and so commit this Guardianship you speak of, to yourselves: But how convenient that might be for the People, whoever Reads your Message may easily judge.

We cannot help thinking that the denying this, looks too much like an unwillingness to have the Matter in dispute brought to light. However, we shall give you no further Trouble in it, than to tell you, the People of *Maryland* have Spirit enough, and we hope will find Means without this Bill to do themselves Justice.

Signed *per Order*, *Wm. Gbifelin*, Cl. Assistant to the Lo. Ho.

Which being *Read*, is approved of, and sent to the Upper House by Messieurs *Denton* and *Courts*, who return and say they delivered it.

*The House Adjourns to 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon.*

*Post Meridiem.*

The House Met according to Adjournment.

Maj. *Sprigg* appears in the House.

The Address brought in Yesterday, being Ingrossed, was Read again, and carried to the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the whole House.

Mr. Speaker and the House returns.

Mr. Speaker re-assumes the Chair.

Mr. *Henry*, from Committee of Laws, delivers Mr. Speaker the Ingrossed Bill, entituled, *An Act for laying out the Town a-new commonly called Snowhill-Town in Somerset County*: Read, and Assented to, and sent to the Upper House by Messieurs *Henry* and *Gale*, who return and say they delivered it.

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