

By the Committee appointed by the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly, to enquire into the Truth of the Facts set forth in the Petition of George Plater, Esq; and Elizabeth Calvert an Infant, by Onorio Razolini, her next Friend; June 15, 1747.

YOUR Committee, upon Enquiry, do find the several Facts set forth in the said Petition, to be true; to which Petition they pray Leave to refer. And it is also made appear to your Committee, that the said Mr. Plater and Razolini, as Executors of Mrs. Calvert, have obtained judgment and Condemnation of the Effects of Mr. Hyde, in the Provincial Court, for the full Sum of Money due from the said Samuel Hyde, to them, on Account of Miss Elizabeth Calvert, and the Costs of Suit; and also that as much as was due to the said Mr. Plater, has been likewise condemned for his Use, with the Costs due to him on his Suit. They also take Leave to represent the Agreement mentioned in the said Petition, which is in the Words and Figures following, viz.

“ Whereas George Plater and Onorio Razolini, have obtained Attachments out of his Lordship's Provincial Court now sitting, against the Effects of Mr. Samuel Hyde, of London, Merchant viz. George Plater, on his proper Account, for the Sum of 1932 l. 2 s. 7 d. 2 q. Sterling; and George Plater, and Onorio Razolini, as Executors of Rebecca Calvert, Widow, deceased, for the Sum of 1596 l. 13 s. 9 d. Sterling. And whereas it is agreed by the said George and Onorio, to share equally whatever may be condemned of the Effects of the said Samuel Hyde, (that is to say) the said George to have one Moiety, or half Part; and the said George and Onorio, Executors as aforesaid, the other Moiety or half Part, and not in Proportion to our Claims; and to pay equally between them all Fees and Charges that have or may accrue on the said Attachments, and not in Proportion to their several Claims. To the Performance of which Agreement, We do hereby bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, to each other, in the Penal Sum of Two Thousand Pounds Sterling. In Witness whereof, we have hereunto interchangeably set our Hands and Seals, this 23d Day of April, 1746. Signed

“ Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of
“ THO. WILLIAMSON,
“ LAW. MAYNARD.

Geo. PLATER; 
ONORIO RAZOLINI. 

All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed per Order,

WM. WILKINS, Clerk.

On reading the Report aforesaid, Leave is given to the Petitioners to bring in a Bill according to Prayer.

The following Address; viz.

To his Excellency SAMUEL OGLE, Esq; Governor of Maryland;
The Humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

WE beg Leave to observe, that in the Year 1744, there was by the then Governor, and his Lordship's Council of State, assessed upon the taxable Inhabitants of this Province, the Quantity of one Pound of Tobacco per Pooll, under Colour of the Act of Assembly formerly submitting, entitled, *An Act for the ordering and regulating the Militia of this Province, for the better Defence and Security thereof*; which said Sum was accordingly levied. We therefore humbly pray that your Excellency will please to cause an Account of the Application thereof to be laid before this House.

Was brought in ingrossed, and was read and assented to, and signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Col. Hooper and Mr. Dulany were sent to acquaint his Excellency, this House hath prepared an Address to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, they deliver'd their Message, and that the Governor was pleased to signify, he was ready to receive the Address immediately in the Conference Chamber.

Col. Hooper and Mr. Dulany were ordered to present the Address.

The Governor communicates to Mr. Speaker the following Answer to the Address of this House, viz.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

I HAVE enquired into the subject Matter of your Address, in Relation to the one Pound of Tobacco per Pooll, assessed upon the taxable Inhabitants of this Province, by the Governor and Council, in the Year 1744, by Virtue of the Act of Assembly for Regulating our Militia, and understand that the said Tobacco was intended to satisfy the Charges incurred by the Indian Conspiracy; but tho' it has been levied, it has not been applied; so lies ready to be disposed of as the Legislature shall think proper.

SAM. OGLE

The following Address, viz.

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