

Romish Religion as approved of it; and such as did not, he would educate in the Protestant Way. That he, *Elson*, told him he was a Papist, and went to Mass: That he, *Wright*, had been at the School-House, and seen *Elson* teach the Children, in the Common Prayer Book, their Prayers, according to the Church of England: That there is a Child of one *Mr. Ireland*, a Papist, that goes to the said School; and he believes there may be fifteen or sixteen Children taught by the said *Elson*, at his School: That he knows that the said *Elson* taught at *Patapsco* in *Anne Arundel County*, and heard him say he had kept School at *Deer-Creek*, in *Baltimore County*, before that Time.

2dly. That Popish Priests, or Jesuits, take Grants of Lands from the Lord Proprietary, as well as Deeds from others, in their own Names; whereon they build and erect public Mass-Houses, Plantations, and Edifices, for the public Exercise of their Functions; of which Mass-Houses, Seminaries, or Sects of Jesuits (exclusive of many Chapels and Mass Houses in private Families), there are six or more seated, besides Tracts of Land held in their Right, ready to be so seated for the Purposes aforesaid, and pervert many of his Majesty's Subjects.

3dly. That many Papists openly send Children to *St. Omer's*, and other Popish Seminaries, out of the King's Obedience, there to be trained up and educated in their Superstitions and dangerous Principles; whence many return into this Province Popish Priests, or Jesuits, propagating their Doctrine without Controul; which if not timely checked, may become of dangerous Consequence to this Part of his Majesty's Dominions.

4thly. That a German Priest, or Jesuit, has a Seat of Land, or Place for exercising the Popish Religion, near the back Mountain, as appears by a Deposition taken in May Session, 1751, and then lodged with the Clerk of your Honourable House.

5thly. That it also appears, by the Declaration of *Mr. Francis Waring*, of *Prince George's County*, That he has been acquainted with *Mr. Henry Darnall*, Attorney General, 14 or 15 Years; and understood that he was brought up and educated at *St. Omer's*, and that he, *Mr. Darnall*, professed the Popish Religion until the Time he first began to practise the Law, and of his taking the Oaths to the Government: That some Years after *Mr. Darnall* was appointed Attorney General, and *Mr. Waring* hearing by many People that Mass was said in his House after such Appointment, *Mr. Waring* often took Occasion to mention it, and particularly to *Mr. Baker Brooke*, a Papist, who said it was so; and that he, *Mr. Brooke*, also said, he understood by his Lordship's Charter, the Roman Catholics had Liberty to exercise their Religion any where, and that the Mass was said for *Mr. Darnall's* Family, but believed *Mr. Darnall* himself was never present: That in *September* last, *Mr. Waring* says, he was in Company with *Mr. Ignatius Diggs*, a Papist; and, after some Discourse, he, *Diggs*, talked of the approaching Election for Representatives, to serve in Assembly for *Prince George's County*, saying that *Messieurs William Murdock* and *John Addison* were not fit to serve, as being for introducing the Penal Laws the last Session; and that they were Men of such Principles as were not to be trusted in a public Capacity: That *Mr. Waring*, in their Discourse, said he thought *Mr. Henry Darnall* was very much winked at, for suffering Mass to be said in his House; to which *Mr. Diggs* replied, that he thought it no Crime for Mass to be said there for his Family, for they had not taken the Oaths to the Government, if *Mr. Darnall* had; and that *Mr. Darnall* was not present himself at Mass. That about two or three Years ago, *Mr. Basil Waring*, a Papist, told *Mr. Francis Waring*, that *Mr. Robert Darnall*, a Son of *Mr. Henry Darnall*, the Attorney General, was just come into the Country from *St. Omer's*, where he had been for his Education: That *Mr. Francis Waring* is a Neighbour of *Mr. Henry Darnall*, and that he never saw *Mr. Darnall* at any Protestant Church, nor ever heard any of his Neighbours say they ever did see him, *Mr. Darnall*, at any.

6thly. It appears to your Committee, That *Mr. John Darnall*, the Attorney General's Brother, one of the Judges of the Provincial Court, Clerk of *Frederick County*, Deputy Commissary, and Receiver of his Lordship's Land Rents there, bred out of his Majesty's Obedience as aforesaid, and not known by his Neighbours to frequent any Protestant Church (his Wife being a Papist), educates his Children as Papists also: That there are three more Provincial Judges, who are married to Papists; two of which execute the most considerable Office in the Government: And that most of the Receivers of his Lordship's Quit Rents, in the seven Counties on the Western Shore of this Province, are known Papists.

7thly. Your Committee humbly report to your Honourable House, That in the Year 1746, a certain *Richard Molineux*, a Popish Jesuit, and Principal of that Society in this Province, being bound to answer before the Provincial Court, seven Evidences were summoned to testify against him for some suspected treasonable practices; whereof only two appear to have been sworn, or sent to the Grand Jury, as by a Copy of the Record thereof, marked A, and hereunto annexed, may appear: And that the same Year, when an unnatural Rebellion was carrying on in *Great Britain*, and many of the Papists here manifested their Dispositions for the Success thereof, Presentments were severally made against *John Thomas*, *William Farbergill*, and *Bowen Speak*, for treasonable Words against his most sacred Majesty; and were only fined, without exhibiting any Indictment against them, or any of them, as appears by the Record marked B, and hereunto annexed; which we humbly conceive by Law ought to have been done. It further appears to your Committee, that