

" By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly, May 14th, 1692.

" This Board have appointed the Honourable Col. Bowles, Col. Nicholas Greenbery, and Mr. John Addison, to join in Committee with the Members of the House of Assembly for Inspecting the Body of Laws of this Province. Signed per Order, JOHN LLEWELLIN, Clerk."

Your Committee do not find any Report from the aforesaid Committee entered among the abovementioned Proceedings; but near the Close of the Journal of that Session, find the following Entry, to wit,

" An Act for Publication of all Laws within this Province, Passed and Assented to."

Your Committee further find, in the Journals of this House in the Year 1715, as follows, to wit,

" Friday Afternoon, 29th April, 1715.

" John Hall, Esq; from the Honourable Council, delivers Mr. Speaker the following, viz.

" Copies of Two of the Royal Instructions to his Excellency the Governor of Maryland.

" You are to transmit authentic Copies of all Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances, that are now made, and are in Force, which have not yet been sent, or which at any Time hereafter shall be made and enacted within our said Province, each of them separately, under the Public Seal, unto Us and our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, within Three Months, or by the first Opportunity after their being enacted; together with Duplicates thereof, by the next Conveyance, upon Pain of our highest Displeasure, and Forfeiture of that Year's Salary.

" And that it may be the better understood what Acts and Laws are in Force, in our said Province of Maryland, you are, with the Assistance of our Council there, to take Care, that all Laws now in Force be Revised and Considered; and if there be any Thing either in the Matter or Stile of them, which may be retrenched or altered, you are to represent the same to us, with your Opinion touching the said Laws now in Force; whereof you are to send a compleat Body unto Us, and our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, with such Alterations as you shall think requisite, to the End our Approbation or Disallowance may be signified thereupon. Signed per Order, WM. BLADEN, Clerk Council.

" By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly, April 29th, 1715.

" His Excellency the Governor, with the Advice of this Board, has thought fit to communicate to the House of Delegates the Two above written Royal Instructions.

" Signed per Order, WM. BLADEN, Clerk Council.

" By the House of Delegates, May the 6th, 1715.

" The Two Royal Instructions sent us by John Hall, Esq; on the 29th of last Month, being considered; In order to effect what is therein mentioned, and that we may the better understand what your Excellency and Honours take to be our Duty in that Affair, desire some of the Honourable Members of your Board may be appointed to confer with some of this House about that Subject To-morrow Morning.

" Signed per Order, THO. MACNEMARA, Clerk Ho. Del.

" By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly, May 6th, 1715.

" Gentlemen,

" In Answer to your Message by Mr. Tyler, and Three Others of your House, we acquaint you, that the Conference therein by you desired, is agreed to by this Board, &c.

" The following being prepared in Answer thereto, is Ordered to be Entered, viz.

" By the House of Delegates, May 6th, 1715.

" May it please your Excellency and Honours,

" This House agrees with the Proposal made in your Message of this Day by Col. Coursey, Lieutenant-Colonel Young, Col. Thomas Addison, and Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Tilgman.

" Signed per Order, THO. MACNEMARA, Clerk Ho. Del.

" May 7th, 1715. Col. Matthew Tilgman Ward, from the Conference about Revising the Laws, delivers Mr. Speaker, the following Report, viz.

" At a Conference between the Members appointed by the Honourable his Majesty's Council, and the Members of the House of Delegates appointed by this House, held, &c. 6th of May, &c.

" Then were Read the Two Royal Instructions, viz. &c.

" And as to the Instruction relating to the Revival of the Laws of this Province, and sending a compleat Body for his Majesty's Approbation or Disallowance, the Conferees are of Opinion, that all such Laws of this Province, that want Amendment, to be re-enacted this Session, and sent to his Majesty, and the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, under separate Seals, and that as to all other Laws of this