

Honours speedy and final Determination as to the Passage of the Journal; which Event only can make the Continuance of the Session useful or necessary.

Signed per Order,

M. MACNEMARA, Cl. Lo. Ho.

The late and present Clerk of the Council, Account as rendered by them from } £ Tob. 102,743¹
May 1756, to the 31st of October 1765, inclusive, amounts to

Out of which, make the following Deductions, viz.

For sundry Charges relating to the War,	42,585	
For Inspectors Commissions,	30,600	
For 150 Days Attendance which should not have been charged, because } the Services done under that Attendance were particularly charged,	9,600	
For Petitions and Orders on Account of private Men,	526	
For Recording an Indenture, between Lord Baltimore and Cæcilius Calvert of } the one Part, and the Hon ^{ble} Thomas Bennett and William Sharpe of the } other Part. Settlement of the Province of Maryland.	270	
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	83,581	83,581

Remains for Public Services arising from Ordinary Occurrences, exclusive }
of the War Matters, - - - 19,162

19,162 ¹ £ Tobacco arising due in 9 ¹ / ₂ Years, is, per Annum,		
Supposing there is allowed for making out 20 Warrants to Inspectors per Year, at } 18 ¹ / ₂ £ Tobacco each, tho' he is not required by the Law to do it, and tho' they } don't contain quite 2 Sides, of 105 Words to the Side, and are only printed } Blanks fill'd up, 48 of which cost 6 s. to the Printer,		360
And as much more for receiving the Returns of Nomination of Inspectors from the } Vestries, and laying them before the Governor each Year,		360
Supposing he is paid for receiving the Naval Officers Bonds and lodging them in his } Office, for each Bond, as much as is allowed for a Search, which is 15 ¹ / ₂ £ To- } bacco, if there was one every Year received, of which perhaps there is not more } than one in 4 Years, it will be		15
Supposing he is allowed 15 ¹ / ₂ £ Tobacco for receiving each Levy List (tho' he is not } directed by Law to do it) it would come to		210
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		2,961

The whole annual Amount in Time of Peace, according to the above } 2,961
State, and under the Inspection Law, is - - - 2,241
Before the Inspection Law, would be only

1765. Dr. JOHN ROSS, Esq; Clerk of the Council, to the Province of MARYLAND, Cr.		
To Tobacco received of the Public, from the Year 1729, till } 1756, inclusive, at 9600 ¹ / ₂ £ To- } bacco per Year; it being 28 } Years,	£ Tob. 268,800	By Services done to the Public, } Communis Annis, (in Time of } Peace, or exclusive of mere War } Matters,) per his Account, from } 1729 till 1748, when the Inspec- } tion Law took place, 19 Years } at 2241,
To over charg'd for Proclamations, } dated May 27 th , 1756, to notify } Clauses in the 40,000 l. Act, the } same being printed and already } paid for, by the Public,	7,696	By Ditto, from 1748 to 1765, 17 } Years since the Inspection Law } took place, at 2961,
To Ditto, 35 Copies of Proclama- } tions of War sent to the several } Counties, dated April 20 th , 1762, } 50 being charged, and but 15 } ought to be charged,	4,496	By his Account for Services merely } respecting the War,
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	280,992	135,501
		Deduct out of this 6 per Cent for } Sheriff's Collection, which every } Officer pays for private Charges, } as he puts his Account on that } Footings, whereas he has always } his Salary clear of Collection,
		8,130

N. B. If it should be objected that there has been another War before this, whilst Mr. Ross was Clerk, in which there might be a great Increase of Service, it is answered, that the Seat of that War, not being on this Continent, not much Public Business arose here from it, and as a great Part of 19,162 arises from frequent Proclamations to Call or Prorogue the Assembly during the War, and arising therefrom, tho' they are not considered as such, it makes the yearly Amount supposed much more than it otherwise would be, and will fully make up for that Objection.

Balance due to the Province, 127,371
153,621

280,992

Which he Read in his Place, and afterwards delivered in at the Table.
The said Message was Read the first Time by the Clerk, and Ordered to lie on the Table.
The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.