

land was exercised ; and think strange any should pretend assistance and supply of Victuals from *Maryland* to that Fleet, when no such thing ever was ; that the Parliament Ships were entertained there in his Harbors, whenas never any of them came at *Maryland*, nor within near 100. miles thereof, save only the *Ginny Frigot*, who went thither to Reduce that Province ; they knew his Governor had alwayes bore affection to the Kings side, that *Charles* the Second (as hath been said) was proclaimed there, that the Council were all Papists, or indifferently affected, and that they refused to Govern the people by the Laws of *England* (another Clause in the Parliaments Commission) to which several of their actings, and even Lord *Baltimore's* Instructions were contrary, as in this particular, and many others, appears by the Reports of the Committee of the Navy, and the Council of State, to whom the Parliament referred this Cause ; a Copy of which Report is hereunto annexed : And they ruled in *Maryland* in such an absolute way and authority, as no Christian Prince or State in *Europe* exercises the like.

His Governor hath an absolute Negative Voice in all things, and in the Assembly of the Burgeses ; calls into the Upper House (as he terms it) whom he will, to over-vote the rest ; places and displaces whom he will in that Council : and the Lord *Baltimore* himself, though in *England*, appoints all Officers, even to the meanest degree ; and who flatter him most, are sure to have it : His Mandates are sent over to stop Justice, and the Judges imprisoned for proceeding according to Justice : Writs are given out under the Governors hand in his own Case, without any judgement of Court, to seize mens Goods into the Governors hands : His Governors are not suable for any just debts, and so they usually exercise their priviledges, even to the oppression and discontent of the people : No Appeals allowed from their Courts, though consisting but of two men, and those perhaps of no great knowledg or skill in Government, no not to the general Representative Assemblies. It would be infinite to rake in this Dunghil ; but all indifferent men that have lived and been there, know