

Merits and Virtues, and not from any Influence arising from the Frame and Constitution of that Body, since I think it must most clearly appear, from what has been said above, that whenever there is any Competition of Interests between the People and Proprietor, their Honours must be under the Bias of very powerful Motives to prefer the latter, and consequently cannot be the *constitutional Guardians and Protectors of the Peoples Rights*.

Their Honours are pleased to urge the following Extract from the Report of the Lords of Trade, on the *Pennsylvania* Acts, against the Lower House:—"We are satisfied that there is
 " nothing so likely to preserve the Tranquility of
 " the Province itself, or its Dependence upon the
 " Mother Country, as the maintaining, with a
 " strict and steady Hand, the *necessary Powers*
 " *and just Prerogatives of the Crown*, and the
 " preferring an uniform and settled Principle of
 " Government, to an occasional Departure from
 " it, for temporary Convenience. Every Day's
 " Experience convinces us, that it is in vain to
 " negotiate away His Majesty's *Prerogatives*; eve-
 " ry new Concession becomes a new Demand,
 " and that, my Lords, of some new Dispute."—
 Every Proposition in this Part of the Report, I believe all the Inhabitants of *Maryland* will very readily assent to, as too rational to admit of any Doubt; but it is not enough to cite true Propositions, for this would make Controversy endless, and the Pastime only of Children, but it is necessary that they should be applicable to the Points in
 Dispute.