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Whitehall

Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> of Nov: 1692.

Sir,

The Lords of the Committee of Trades and Plantations having appointed to meet at four of the clock this afternoon their Lordships will expect to receive the opinion of the Lords Comm<sup>rs</sup> of the Treasury upon the Representation of the Assembly of Maryland touching the 12<sup>d</sup> p hogshead for 25 ships that left that Province in the year 1690. which they pray may be received by Colonel Copley the Governor there as also upon Colonel Copley's proposall touching Bonds to be taken from ships trading to Maryland, Copies of which Petition and Proposal were sent to you by order of the Committee the 19<sup>th</sup> of September last to be layd before the Lords Com<sup>rs</sup> of the Treasury for their opinion upon the matters contained in them.

I am,  
Sir

M<sup>r</sup> Guy

Your most humble servant.

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Extract of Proposals made by Coll Copley  
Governor in Cheif of Maryland to the  
Lords of the Committee of Trade and  
Plantation.

To avoyd False Traders it will be convenient that all Masters of Shippes trading from England hither give Bonds in their severall Ports before they come out to pay all duties and Customes and to bring Certificates hither of their having given Bonds and to give a Bond here to carry my Receipts of their respective Certificates to the respective Ports the Mischief of their giving Bonds here often happens to be thus The Masters can give no other Security then two Planters who generally prove to be insolvent when there is Occasion to sue their Bonds and false Certificates are often produced here by false Traders All which I hope may be prevented by following the Methods proposed.

(Endorsed)

Extract of Coll<sup>o</sup> Copleys Proposals.  
To committe of Cash  
Received 1 Dec 1692  
From M<sup>r</sup> Guy in Answer to an  
Order of Reference from the  
Comittee of the 19 Sept: 92.

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Sir,

To John Povey Esq<sup>re</sup> from M<sup>r</sup> Guy.

By order of the Lords Commissioners of their Majesty's