

Maryland Ss^t

At An Assembly held at the City of S^t Maries and Begun the Tenth Day of May Anno Domini 1692 In the fourth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord and Lady King William and Queen Mary of England Scotland France and Ireland Defenders of the faith &^c and there Continued till the 9th Day of June following where Appeared in the Council Chamber Viz^t

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His Excellency Lionell Copley Esq^t Cap^t General & Chief Governor

The honourable	{	Coll Henry Jowles	}	Coll David Browne
		Coll Nehemiah Blackiston		M ^r Thomas Tench
		Coll George Robotham		Captain John Addison
		Coll Nicholas Greenberry		

of their Majestys Council

John LLewellin Clerk.

Notice given to the house of Delegates and Deputies by the Freemen of the Province Elected and Chosen to Serve for them in this Present Assembly and now Conveened and mett together, That his Excellency the Governor and his Council was now ready to receive them in the Council Chamber;

They accordingly present themselves in a Body to his Excellency, who in the first place produces, And Ordered to be read to them his Commission under the great seal for the Government of this Province and then Declares himself to them in the Words following Viz^t

Gentlemen

When the King upon your Address to him to have a Protestant Governor, had Signified his Gracious Intentions of Sending me amongst you I presume you are Sensible of the restless Endeavours of some Persøns to Obstruct it. The difficulties and hazards I run through did not at all Daunt me from hastening to you; proposeing Chiefly to myself the Satisfaction of Seeing a foundation laid for a lasting Peace and happiness to you and your Posteritys, the making of wholsome Laws, and laying aside all heats and Animosities amongst you that happened of late, will go far towards it, This I know will be very Acceptable to their Majestys, who are Eminent Examples of Christian and Peaceable Tempers; Amongst the Laws that you are to make I must recommend