

Wherefore in as much as that the parochiall Librarys of ^{Original} Bookes which are sent in & which the Reverend Doctor ^{Journal.} Thomas Bray is bringing in with him are all by Free Guiffts and sev^rall supscriptions of well disposed p^rsons in the Kingdome of England. It would be a greate Encouragem^t to such p^rsons to see this province doe some thing towards purchasing Books which may be not only beneficiall to the p^rsent but future ages. It is therefore proposed that the house would appropriate one hundred pounds of what shall hereafter accrew upon the said Impositions to the purchasing such beneficiall and necessary Bookes for the propagation of good learning and virtue

Sign'd p Ord^r
W Bladen Cl: Concil

Then Came the following Message from the house by Col: LLoyd M^r Elisha Hall & 4 other Members viz^t

By the house of Delegates No^r the 10th 1698

This House have Consid^red the Bill Entituled an Act for the promotion of Learning and advancem^t of his Ma^{ty}s Free Schoole of Maryland, And that whereas the said Perry died Intestate the Lord Baltmore as being L^d of the Fees may lay a Clayme thereto. Therefore as to the whole matter about ^{p. 43} M^r Perrys Lott We hum^{bly} pray yo^r Ex^{cy} & Councill that it may be omitted untill address be made for his L^dp the Lord proprietarys Concurrence therein, But as to the remaying part of this Act the house is willing to pass it if yo^r Ex^{cy} shall thinke fitt.

Signd p Ord^r
C: Gregory Cl house Del.

The following Message sent to the house of Delegates viz^t

By his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r and Council in Assembly
Novemb the 10th 1698

In answer to the houses Message and request to omitt the Clause in the Bill for the promoting of learning that Settles John Perry's house in Trustees for the youse of the free Schools. The house their begining with An Explaynatory Bill for a saving to the L^d Baltmores dues and ending with an address to him shew more Reguard to his Lordps Interest then to the promotion of the said Free Schoole, Whereby would seem that some are affrayde their Children should be educated in a protestant Schoole. How well his Lordp may