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At the Committee of Trade and Plantations  
At the Councill Chamber at Whitehall Saturday  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Ianuary 1690. (-1.)

Present

Lord President	L <sup>d</sup> Vic <sup>t</sup> Sidney
Earl of Nottingham	Sir Henry Goodrick

Upon Reading the draught of a commission prepared by M<sup>r</sup> Attorney Generall for Lyonell Copley Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Governor of Maryland Their Lordship's order the said draught to be sent to the Lord Baltemore who is desired to return to their Lordships his answer in writing on Wednesday next att five in the Afternoon whether his Lordship approve the same or what objections (if any) he may have thereunto.

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The answer of Charles Lord Baltemore to a Draught of a Comission sent his Lordship with an Order dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Jan<sup>ry</sup> from the R<sup>t</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lords of the Committee for Trade and Plantation.

That in Obedience to the said Order the Lord Baltemore having fully perused the said Draught does find contained therein severall Clauses very prejudiciall and utterly destructive of the Rights Powers and Privilidges granted to his Lordsp by his Charter of Maryland some of which are as followeth.

1.—and alsoe with the approbation and by the speciall nomination and appointment of the King and Queens most Excell<sup>t</sup> Maj<sup>ties</sup>

2.—for and during their Maj<sup>ties</sup> pleasure (and not otherwise) and in such manner and according to such Rules Powers Limitations and Instructions as are herein after expressed or as shall be in that behalf given or signified unto him from time to time by their Maj<sup>ties</sup>

3.—untill and to the Intent their Maj<sup>ties</sup> pleasure may be known—

4.—untill the said Charles Baron of Baltemore shall with and by the speciall allowance of the King and Queens most Excellent Maj<sup>ties</sup> their Heirs and successors declare and publish or cause to be declared and published within the said Province his particular dissent or disagreement to the same.

By reason of the clauses above mentioned as alsoe severall other things contained in the said Draught his Lordsp can no wayes think it safe to set his hand to such a Comission: And since the Proposals his L<sup>d</sup>sp made to the R<sup>t</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord President are not (as appears by the Draught above men-