

Lib. C. B. Signed by Appointment of our Said Meeting and in the behalf of the people called Quakers In the province of Maryland.

Rich <sup>d</sup> Johns	Neh: Birckhead
Rich <sup>d</sup> Harrison	Sam <sup>l</sup> Galloway
Sam <sup>l</sup> Chew	M Moore.

Which being read his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> received them very kindly And together with the board was pleased to declare that they had observed the said Society of people called Quakers to be very peaceable and quiett and well Affected to this her Majestys Government Especially Since her Majestys happy Accession to the Throne and that perticularly on this Occasion they had Expressed themselves to the great Satisfaction of his Excellency and this Board And therefore Assured them of her Majestyes Gracious protection dureing such their peaceable and dutifull behaviour.

Att a Councill held at Annapolis July 17<sup>th</sup> 1707

Present

His Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Governour

The honble Thomas Tench Esq Coll John Hamond Coll Edward Lloyd Coll W<sup>m</sup> Holland M<sup>r</sup> Kenelm Cheseldyn Coll Thomas Ennalls and M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Coursey.

M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Docwra came & declared before his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Governour and Councill that being in bed on Saturday night p. 70 the 5<sup>th</sup> Instant about Tenn of the Clock Major Wilson the Sherriff of the County Sent to him & desire him to bring a Couple of men with him which he did and found M<sup>r</sup> Bruff and his wife & M<sup>r</sup> Orrell and his wife there and the people seemed much afraid. Major Wilson desired him to take his Boate and go over to M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Hills plantation and know the meaning of the Gunns being fired Which he did and found M<sup>r</sup> Hill very Drunk to whome he told the Sherriff had sent him to know the meaning of Severall Gunns fired there which had allarmed the Towne. M<sup>r</sup> Hill Answered they were Merry had been Training and fired them for their pleasure and what was it to any body he would fire more against which the said Docwra diswaded him Nevertheless the said Hill opened a Trunck & took out two pistolls. And as this Declarant believes fired them off for that this declarant heard the report of two pistolls or other fire Armes Imediatly after.

Whereupon his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> and the Boarde resenting M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Hills presumtious behaviour in fireing so many Gunns in the