

ject for it to be Established and Confirmed by an Act of Assembly for that purpose to be made allowing the said Citizens &c the Liberty & Priviledges given and mentioned in the s^d Charter so far as it may no Ways infringe the Liberty & Priviledges of the publick either in regard to publick Land or Buildings by them heretofore purchased and to which they are lawfully and rightfully entituled and desire the same may be reserved & Continued for the Ends & Purposes they were purchased & designed & have heretofore been held & Enjoyed & not otherwise and that the Justices & Commissioners of Ann Arundel County may Continue their Courts in the Stadt House as usual U. H. J.

It is likewise further reported and desired by the Conferees That a Clause be inserted in such Law to be made that the Representatives for the s^d City have half the usual Allowance of the Delegates of each County & no more

As to that Part of the Charter relating to the Recorder this Conference humbly Conceive the Person appointed thereupon a Recorder is not qualified by Law for that office in Regard he is Exempted by Law as not having been a Resident here for three years p. 566

It is likewise proposed that the Justices of the County Courts &c may Enjoy and Continue their usual Libertys of Executing their offices of Justices of Peace within the said City of Annapolis in as full & ample manner as heretofore.

And that all By Laws that hereafter shall be made by the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen &c be not otherwise binding to Any other the Inhabitants of the Province Save only in relation to the Citizens of Annapolis

As to that part of the Charter relating to the Toll these Conferees think the Toll too unreasonable and Excessive; For It is Considered if two thous^d pds be imported here that Extravagant Toll there mentioned may amount to one hund^d pds And It is thought more for the Benefitt of the City if there be no Toll mentioned

All which is humbly offered & recommended to your Excell Council & House of Delegates

Signed p order Tho^s Jones Cl Conference

Col Nicholas Lowe and the other Delegates of the s^d Conference bring up the Concurrence of the House to the above report Viz.

By the House of Delegates December 2^d 1708

The above report being read the House Concur therewith and are willing the Petitioners for the Charter bring in a Bill p. 567