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At the Council in the General Assembly held by Prorogation at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the fifth of October in the thirteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Ann of Great Brittain France & Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith &c Annoq Domini, 1714

Present

His Excell<sup>cy</sup> John Hart Esq<sup>r</sup> Governour in Chief of this Province

The Honble { Edw<sup>d</sup> Lloyd Esq<sup>r</sup> L<sup>t</sup> Col Sam<sup>l</sup> Young  
Col W<sup>m</sup> Holland L<sup>t</sup> Col Tilghman &  
Col W<sup>m</sup> Coursey L<sup>t</sup> Col Addison

Col Tho<sup>s</sup> Ennalls having desired to be excused for not attending at this Session by reason of his Indisposition of Health his Excuse was allowed of.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the General Assembly according to the prorogation on the third of July last L<sup>t</sup> Col Matthew Tilghman Ward L<sup>t</sup> Col John Macall, Major Tho<sup>s</sup> Sprigg and M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Worthington came from the House of Delegates & acquainted his Excellency that their Members were met Sufficient to make up their House and that they waited his Excellency's Commands

The Honble Col Lloyd & Lieut<sup>t</sup> Col Addison were ordered p. 948 by his Excellency to let M<sup>r</sup> Speaker & the Delegates know he was in the Council Chamber where He expected their Attendance

The said Gentlemen returned & said they had delivered their Message

M<sup>r</sup> Speaker & the Delegates came & attended his Excell<sup>cy</sup> in Council where he was pleased to bespeak them as follows Viz.

Gentlemen of the Council & Gentlemen of the House of Delegates

I am commanded by her Majesty to revise the Laws of this Province to which I desire your Assistance in the most expeditious manner conveniently may be in order to render so useful a work of as little Expence as possible to the Country

Whatever Indulgence you may reasonably expect from England in favour of the Tob<sup>o</sup> Trade there will still remain