L. H. J. The house being Called over mett present as in the morning Mr Bordley from the Comittee of Laws delivers Mr Speaker An Act to Confirm his Lordships Acceptance of the 18d p hhd formerly raised which was read the first and second times by Especial order and will pass and so Endorsed.

Sent To the Upper house by Cap^t Mariartee, M^r Tyler, Cap^t Jowles and M^r Hanson they return and say they delivered it.

Co¹ Coursey L^t Co¹ Young, Co¹ Addison, and Co¹ Tilghman from the Upper house, deliver M^r Speaker the following Message (Viz)

By the Upper house of Assembly Aug^t 8th 1716

Whereas there is now a Considerable sume of money in the Receivers hands appropriated for purchassing Arms and amunition for the better Security and defence of this Province and for that it is highly necessary the said Arms and amunition should be well preserved in good order & Condition fitt for the Service of this Province on any Emergent occasion requireing the same, Wee propose to you that an handsome house be built for the lodgeing and secureing the publick Magazine of Arms in this City and also that part of the amunition consisting of Ball lead matche & flints and all other matterialls of that nature Except powder may be there secured and that the said house may be so contrived that it may likewise Serve for a Councill roome and to receive the Countrey and strangers which may resort to his Exncy the Governour on any publick occasions, and that the charge of the said Building be defrayed out of the Revenue of 3d p hhd on Tobo Exported appropriated to purchass Arms & amunition not Exceeding such reasonable sume as shall be thought convenient

Signed p order W Bladen Cl: Upr Ho:

Col Hoskins from the Comittee to View the prison delivers Mr Speaker the following Report (Viz)

A Comittee appointed on Wednesday the 8th of August 1716 By the Lower house of Assembly this present Generall Assem-P. 221 bly to View and Inspect the publick prison at the City of Annapolis and to make their Report thereof to the House.

The Gent appointed are Col Philip Hoskins Majr Josiah Wilson Lt Col John Ward.

Whereupon the said Comittee proceeded to View and Inspect the said prison and doe find the said Prison to be very much decayed the Wooden work being Rotten and the Stone Work under mined it being but Just layed within the Ground.