

The Honble Col. Saw. Hoop, Col. Ennals, Col. Addison, Col. Young, Philomen Ar.
And John Dray Esq. And Col. Greenfield from the Honble Council enter the House
And deliver W^{ts} Speeches the following Instructions Vizt

By his Excellency the Governor Esq.
Gentlemen,

His most Sacred Majesty has commanded me to lay before you
the two following Instructions Vizt —

28th And whereas several Inconveniences have arisen to our Government in our
Plantations by Gifts and Presents made to our Governors by the Assemblies it is our
express Will and Pleasure that neither you our Governor Lieutenant Governor Com-
mander in Chief or President of the Council of our Province of Maryland for
the Time being do give your or their Consent to the passing of any Law or Act for
any Gift or Present to be made to you or them by the Assembly and that neither
you or they do receive any Gift or Present from the Assembly or others upon any
Account or in any Manner whatsoever upon Pain of our highest Displeasure
and of being recalled from that our Government; excepting that whereas there is
no House appointed or set apart by us for our said Governor And the Assembly of
our said Province having upon the Arrival of John Symers Esq. our late Governor
there passed an Act for raising a further Revenue of three Pence of Hogheads
on Tobacco exported as an additional Allowance to him for his better Mainte-
nance during his Government over and above his ordinary Allowance out of the
Duty of two Shillings of Hogheads on Tobacco exported — We are pleased to permit
the Assembly to repeal the like Act for your better Maintenance as also to
assign you a House or Rent for the same — Provided the said Act be passed
and House or Rent assigned to you for an unlimited Time ordering your conti-
nuance in that Government —

9th And we further do direct and require that this Declaration of our Royal Will
and Pleasure be communicated to the Assembly at their first Meeting: And your
Arrival and entered in the Registers of our Council and Assembly that all
Persons whom it may concern may govern themselves accordingly.

Upon Reading Richard Stetons Petition about the Damage done his Land
without the Gate of Annapolis And fully debating the same it is resolved
and accordingly Ordered that the Petitioner be allowed out of the publick Stock
the Sum of twenty Pounds in full of all his claim on Account of the Damage
done his said Land; Ten Pounds thereof to be allowed him this present Year
(and)