

think it necessary, for the Good of our Trade. After this was agreed on, Mr. Falconar was called upon, to declare what it was he had to say before them, since it was at his Instance they were met: He answered  
 " That he had much to say; but, that he thought  
 " it more regular to appoint a Committee of Six of  
 " the Maryland, and Six of the Virginia Merchants, to  
 " meet between that and the next General Meeting  
 " to consult and make a Report of their Thoughts,  
 " as well in relation to the Evils they apprehended  
 " the Trade to labour under, and the Remedies  
 " that occur'd to them necessary for its Relief; as  
 " upon some Rules for their own Regulation, as a  
 " Body or Society." Which Proposal was agreed  
 to, and the following Gentlemen were appointed to  
 be of that Committee, viz.

For Maryland.		For Virginia.	
Mess.	Samuel Hyde.		Micajah Perry.
	Robert Cruckshanks.		Edward Randolph.
	J. Joseph Adams.		Humphry Bell.
	John Handbury.		Jeremish Quare.
	William Hunt.		James Erady.
	John Falconar.		Thomas Hyam.

THIS Committee met upon the 13th of March, when Mr. Falconar laid the following Representation before them:

A COPY of the Representation, delivered in Writing by John Falconar, the 13th of March, 1727-8, to the Committee, appointed by a General Meeting of the Merchants, trading to Virginia and Maryland, to take into their Consideration the State of the Tobacco-Trade; and to report their Opinion thereon, to the General Meeting.

THE General Meeting of the 7th Current, having been unanimously of Opinion the Trade was in a bad Condition, and having appointed us to consider of Ways and Means to relieve the same, I have presented