

and our Order to Mr. Samuel Quince, Chairman, Mr. M^r D^r Deputy Chairman, and Mr. George ~~Quince~~ of the Committee of Observations for Balt: County, to appear before us on ~~Monday~~ ~~even~~ this Day, and to bring with them all the Proceedings, Papers, Letters, Orders, Entries, Instructions &c. relative to the interdicted Labors. We are resolved to have a full and open Examination of the Affairs and shall there cheerfully submit our Conduct to the Public.

We consider the Authority of the whole Province transferred upon us, if not conspired against, and having your Letters holding forth the same Sentiment, we have thought it advisable, as we know not to what Lengths this Matter may be carried, to call a Convention to be held at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the seventh of May next, at which Time we shall be glad to see all the Gent^l Deputies, that can be spared from Congress, ~~perfect~~ We shall endeavour to have all our Proceedings ready to lay before them on the first Day of their Meeting, and shall submit to them whether ~~our~~ ^{our} Conduct has been either timid, inactive, or in any other particulars unjustifiable.

Our Proceedings with the Governor are such, as are in our Opinions in every Respect defensible; we are convinced from his Considerations and Answers, & from his manner of behaving to us, that he will not abuse the Power. — Little Minds might have been gratified with actual Imprisonment, and further Securities, but we do not imagine the Congress meant any such Outrage or Humiliation. — we have all the Advantages we could have had, if we had committed them to the Public-Hands, and we are persuaded many more Men can believe that we are crowning the Governor