

U. H. J. the Delegates the honble Presid<sup>t</sup> is ready to receive them in the Council Chamber.

Who returned & said they had delivered their Message

The several members of the House of Delegates came up to the Council Chamber and were directed to repair to their House and make Choice of a Speaker

And accordingly the members of the House of Delegates went to their House and in some short time came up to the Council Chamber & presented M<sup>r</sup> Robert Tyler of Prince  
 p. 736 Georges County for their Speaker. Who very modestly and ingenuously prayed to be Excused from that Office alledging his Inability to discharge that Trust and desired the Delegates might proceed to make choice of a person more capable Which at his request the Honble President was pleased to Grant and thereupon the Delegates took leave & repaired to their House And after some short Time came up again to the Council Chamber And offered to the Honble Presid<sup>t</sup> that whereas others & more of the Delegates were come to the House and Claimed to have their Votes allowed on the Election of the Speaker Those who had already voted for M<sup>r</sup> Tyler refused to allow their Votes affirming the Speaker was Chosen before they came to the House so that they were too late To which they were answered by the honble President that upon M<sup>r</sup> Tyler's prayer the Delegates were directed to repair to their House and consider of the Choice of their Speaker Which not being done or the Speaker confirmed before the members claiming their Vote came into the House It will be but reasonable they should be admitted to their Votes. And therefore directed the Delegates to repair to their House and make Choice of a Speaker pursuant whereto they departed to their House And this Board being made acquainted the s<sup>d</sup> Delegates could not agree upon their Choice of Speaker The Honble President ordered her Majesty's Writt of Prorogation to be issued And the same Was carried to the House of Delegates by the honble Col Thomas Addison Col Tilghman &  
 p. 737 Cap<sup>t</sup> Dorsey and read to them as followeth. Viz.

Ann by the Grace of God of Great Brittain France & Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith &c To our trusty and well beloved our Counsellours and Delegates and Burghesses elected to serve in our General Assembly of this our Province of Maryland to be convened as on this Day Greeting

Know ye that we have thought fit & do hereby prorogue the s<sup>d</sup> General Assembly until Wednesday the 29th Ins<sup>t</sup> At which Time We will you to convene yourselves at the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly in order to consult debate advise & Consent to such