

U. H. J. other respects open to so many Objections, that the Purposes designed thereby, may by many Accidents be entirely frustrated

As I have now fairly represented to yourselves and the World, so much of your Conduct, as must appear extremely exceptionable, and deficient in the Duty you owe to your Sovereign, and your own Safety, I shall now to convince you of my sincere Inclinations to put the best Construction possible upon any part of your Proceedings, readily acknowledge my satisfaction in the Acquiescence you have shewn to that part of my Message where I say, It is upon the Presumption of those Loyal Principles which you so largely profess on every Occasion, that I am thoroughly assured of your being convinced of the Necessity of making good any Sum that shall be stipulated to be paid to the Indians, thò it should exceed the 300£ Sterling mentioned in your Address of the last Session Your Approbation, p. 49 which I infer from your silence on that head, will enable me to act with the greater Certainty, of making good any sum that shall be found necessary to be given the Indians at this Time, when their Friendship is of so great Consequence to all his Majestys Dominions upon this Continent, and you may depend upon it, I shall strongly Charge the Commissioners to be as frugal of the Countrys Money as possible

As to your Address of this Afternoon I am surprized the Answer I gave you last Session, with regard to the 12^d p hh^d does not prove satisfactory; since I pointed out the Method of informing yourselves in that particular; And as to the 14^d p Ton I must refer you to his late Majesty King William's Decision about that Duty which you are very well apprized of, and which will shew, you have no Right to be informed of it

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly

The Business of this Session being at an end, I do hereby Prorogue this Assembly till the first Tuesday in September next and you are to take Notice you are Prorogued to that day accordingly

Thus Ends this Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the first Day of May and Ending the fourth Day of June following in the thirtieth year of his Lordships Dominion and in the seventeenth year of his Majestys Reign Annoq Domini 1744
Jn^o Ross, Cl.