- L.H.J. Lower House went to the Upper House Where his Excellency made Liber No. 46 the following Speech, (See page 675)
  - Mr Speaker with the Members returned to the Lower House and p. 740 resumed the Chair

The Governor communicated to Mr Speaker the following papers (See page 676)

On reading his Excellency the Governor's Speech and an Extract from a Letter of his Grace the Duke of Newcastle to Governor Shirley and Commodore Knowles and a Letter from Governor Shirley and Commodore Knowles to the Governor of this Province; Resolved that this House do take the same into Consideration in the Afternoon

The House adjourns for an Hour

## Post Meridiem

The House met according to Adjournment

The House having taken into Consideration the Governor's Speech Ordered that an Address be prepar'd to his Excellency thereon; and that Mr Hammond Doctor Carroll Colo Hooper Mr Key and Mr Lloyd do prepare and bring in the same Mr Hammond from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to the Governor brings in the following viz.

To his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esqr Governor of Maryland The humble Address of the House of Delegates.

May it please your Excellency

We His Majesty's most Dutifull and Loyal Subjects the Delegates of the Freemen of the Province of Maryland in Assembly convened return your Excellency our sincere Thanks for the kind Expressions in your Speech at the Opening of this Session. The p. 743 Inclemency of the weather has rendered the Meeting in Assembly at this Time very difficult by the Deepness of the Snow and the Bay and Rivers being frozen: But our Duty to His Majesty, and determined Resolutions to do every Thing in our Power to answer his Royal Expectations make us bear the present Inconvenience with great chearfulness.

We will immediately take the subject Matter recommended in Your Excellency's Speech and the Extract of the Duke of Newcastle's Letter into our Serious Consideration and determine thereupon agreeable to the present Circumstances of the People we represent.

Which was Read Approved and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

The Address to the Governor was brought in Ingrossed was Read and Assented to and signed on Behalf of the House by the Honourable Speaker.