

SATURDAY MORNING, April 9, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were Read.

Mr. Beall appeared in the House.

Mr. Hammond brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency; which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

Mr. Carroll brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Ingrossed Address, viz.

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND:

The humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES.

May it please your EXCELLENCY,

WE, his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Delegates of the Freemen of Maryland, in Assembly convened, beg Leave to return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session; and to assure your Excellency, that we are so deeply sensible of the many Blessings we enjoy under the paternal Care and Protection of our most Gracious Sovereign, that we need no Arguments to induce us to embrace every Opportunity of promoting his Service to the utmost of our Ability. As the present Posture of Affairs, and advanced Season of the Year, require the greatest Dispatch, we shall immediately take into Consideration, the Minutes, which, by Direction of the Earl of LOUDOUN, you have been pleased to lay before us; and shall endeavour to do every Thing that may be reasonably expected from us, towards complying with his Lordship's Requisition: And we hope the Unanimity, with which we shall all proceed, will manifest our Zeal for his Majesty's Service, and greatly contribute to the Ease and Safety of the People of this Province.

Which was Read and Assented to, and Signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That Col. Henry and Capt. Jenifer do acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath prepared an Address, to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive the same: They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That the Governor was pleased to signify, that he would be ready to receive the Address immediately at his House.

Ordered, That Mr. Lloyd, and Three more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

The House adjourns until Monday Morning at IX of the Clock.

MONDAY MORNING, April 11, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as on Saturday, except Mr. Gresham.

Mr. John Goldsborough, Mr. Edmondson, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Casson, appeared in the House.

On Motion, Resolved, That the House do proceed to take into Consideration the Subject-Matter, contained in his Excellency the Governor's Speech at Opening this Session, on the Morrow Morning.

The Petition of the Justices of Frederick County, praying to have Leave to Raise the Sum of 150 l. towards compleating a Prison for the said County, and relative to a Provision to be made for maimed and disabled Soldiers and Scouters, &c. Referred from the Upper House to the Consideration of the Lower House, was here Read and Rejected.

On Motion, the House took into Consideration the Letter from Thomas Cresap to his Excellency, and an Advertisement which was Inclosed therein, Signed by Daniel Cresap, Referred from the Upper House to the Consideration of the Lower House; and Ordered, That the same be Indorsed, "Read and Rejected."

His Excellency the Governor communicated to Mr. Speaker the following Answer to the Address of this House, viz.

"GENTLEMEN of the Lower House of ASSEMBLY,

"THE Address which you were pleased to present to me, gives me great Satisfaction, as you therein assure me, that you are not insensible of the Blessings we enjoy under the paternal Care and Protection