

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, return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session. As we have the Security of this Colony, and his Majesty's Service in general, most sincerely at Heart, we embrace, with the greatest Chearfulness, every Opportunity your Excellency is pleased to give us of exerting our zealous Endeavours to concur in, and to the utmost of our Abilities support, every Measure conducive to those desirable Ends.

This House had, at their last Meeting, Resolved, That they would Reimburse General Forbes, out of the first Supplies that should be Granted for his Majesty's Service, all the Money he had or should reasonably advance on Account of the Troops of this Province, taken into his Majesty's Service, to the End of the Campaign, and a Bill to carry their Resolutions into Effect, might have been, by this Time, passed, or in great Forwardness, had not your Excellency prevented it by a Prorogation.

We shall take under our Consideration the General's Letter, and with Dispatch (which we hope will not be embarrassed by any unnecessary Obstruction) proceed to such Determinations thereupon, as may fully answer every Thing his Excellency can reasonably wish or expect from the Inhabitants of this Province.

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

On Motion, Ordered, That Mr. Goldsborough, and Mr. Hanson, do make an Enquiry into what Laws will expire with the Close of this Session; and make Report thereof to the House.

Col. Fitzbugh, and Mr. Plater, appeared in the House.

The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.

F R I D A Y, November 24, 1758.

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

Mr. Key and Mr. Earle appeared in the House.

Mr. Goldsborough brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report, viz.

November 24, 1758.

By the Committee appointed by the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly to enquire what Laws will expire this Session, do find, that the following Laws will expire at the End of this Session, if not continued, viz.

AN Act, entituled, *An Act for ascertaining the Allowance of Petit Jurors attending the Provincial Court, to limit Costs with Respect to Witnesses, and for settling their Allowance as to itinerant Charges*, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the 24th Day of May 1749.

An Act, entituled, *An Act for the Destroying Squirrels and Crows in the several Counties therein mentioned*, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the third Day of June, 1752.

An Act, entituled, *An Act for the Relief of such Persons as cannot find Surety for their Appearance to testify as a Witness against any Person arrested, accused, or prosecuted, for any Criminal Matter*, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the third Day of June, 1752.

An Act, entituled, *An Act to prevent disabled and superannuated Slaves being set free, or the Manumission of Slaves by any last Will or Testament*, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the third Day of June, 1752.

An Act, entituled, *An Act for the more effectual destroying of Squirrels and Crows in the Counties of Kent, Queen-Anne's and Talbot; and for destroying Red Foxes in the said Counties*, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the 24th Day of May, 1749.

An Act, entituled, *An Act for Repairing the Public Roads in this Province*, made at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis the second Day of October, 1753, also a Supplementary Act thereto, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the third Day of February, 1756.

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