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On Motion, *S. Chase*, and *T. Johnson*, Esqrs. have Leave of Absence.

Several Letters from *C. Garth*, Esq; directed to the Honourable Speaker of the House of Delegates of the Province of *Maryland*, were communicated to the House by Mr. Speaker, and were severally Read.

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

T U E S D A Y, November 4.

THE House met. Col. *Lloyd*, Mr. *Buchanan*, and Mr. *Smith*, appeared in the House.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Fielder Gantt*, and *Thomas Ringgold*, Esq; do go to the Upper House with those Gentlemen, to see them take the Oath of Abjuration prescribed by the Act of Parliament made last Session. They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That they saw the Gentlemen take the Oath aforesaid, and subscribe the same.

*William Murdock*, Esq; brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency, which was Read the First and Second Time, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

The House appointed Mr. *Sullivan*, Mr. *Wright*, Mr. *Hanson*, Mr. *Earle*, and Mr. *Dent*, a Committee of Accounts.

Mr. *Tyler*, Mr. *Parran*, Mr. *Henry Hall*, Mr. *Worthington*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *Ringgold*, and Mr. *J. Hall* of *Annapolis*, a Committee to inspect the Public Offices, &c.

Mr. *Murdock*, Col. *Tilghman*, Mr. *Hammond*, Mr. *E. Gantt*, Mr. *J. Hall*, of *Annapolis*, Mr. *Allen*, and Mr. *Jacob*, a Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. *William Adams*, Mr. *Smallwood*, and Capt. *Ware*, a Committee to inspect the Arms and Ammunition, and Accounts relating thereto.

*William Murdock*, Esq; 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 the Province of *Maryland*, in General Assembly convened, return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session.

The favourable Regard which your Excellency has been pleased to express for us, and your declared Desire to act on all Occasions agreeably to our Inclinations, demand our particular Acknowledgments; and we assure your Excellency, that it is the utmost of our Ambition to merit your good Opinion, together with the Approbation of our Constituents, and shall be our earnest Endeavour to promote the General Interest and Prosperity of the Province. For the Attainment of this important End, a perfect Harmony between the several Branches of the Legislature is essentially necessary; we shall therefore keep that Object constantly in View, and hope your Excellency will not be disappointed in your Expectations, that the Proceedings of this Session may be productive of much Good to the Province, and make ample Amends to the People for the Expence of it.

An earlier Meeting in Assembly would have been more agreeable to us; but when we consider, that the last Month was chiefly taken up with the Sitting of our Courts of Law, we are sensible your Excellency could not have convened us sooner, with any Prospect of Dispatch to the Public Business.

We should be greatly wanting in our Duty to our most gracious Sovereign, and Respect for the Parliament, if we did not take this first Opportunity to express the Sentiments of Loyalty and Gratitude, with which our Breasts are filled, for his Majesty's and the Parliament's Attention to the Interest of his *American* Subjects. We thank your Excellency for your Congratulation, and desire you to accept of Ours, on the late happy Turn of Affairs in Favour of these Colonies, and the pleasing Prospect now afforded us.

Which was read and assented to, and Signed by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

ORDERED, That *J. Hollyday*, Esq; and Mr. *Parran*, do acquaint the Governor, that this House hath prepared an Address to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it. They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that the Governor signified he was ready to receive the Address immediately, in the Council Chamber.

ORDERED,