

Intent that all Persons concerned may have due Notice thereof, I do hereby strictly charge and require the several Sheriffs of this Province to make this my Proclamation public in their respective Counties in the usual Manner, as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril.

Given at the City of *Annapolis* this Twenty-fourth Day of *February*, in the Third Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable *Henry Harford*, Esq; *Anno Domini* 1774.

Signed by Order,

JAMES BROOKS, Cl. Con.

*The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock.*

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The House met.

*The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning 9 o'Clock.*

S A T U R D A Y, *March* 26, 1774.

THE House met. All Members present as on Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read. Mr. *Waters* appeared in the House.

On Motion, ORDERED, That the Address to his Excellency be read a Second Time, and it was read accordingly, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Benjamin Ford* be continued a Committee Clerk.

The House appoint Mr. *Saint George Peale* a Committee Clerk. ORDERED, That he be qualified.

The following Certificate, viz.

ANNE-ARUNDEL I HEREBY certify, that on the 26th of *March*, 1774, came *Saint George* County, *ss.* *Peale* before me the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid, and took the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, subscribed the Oath of Abjuration, repeated and signed the Test, and took the following Oath, viz. " I " *Saint George Peale* do swear, that I will true Entries make of all such Matters and Things as shall " be to me directed by any Committee of the Lower House of Assembly for whom I shall act as Clerk; and " that I will not divulge the Secrets of the said House, or of any Committee thereof, but will in all Things " well and truly demean myself, according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge. So help me .OL." R. GHISELIN.

Was read and ordered to be entered.

Mr. *Sim* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following ingrossed Address.

To his EXCELLENCY ROBERT EDEN, Esquire, 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 General Assembly convened, return your Excellency Thanks for your Speech at the opening of this Session.

Convinced of the extensive Utility of the several Subjects which you were pleased to recommend, we shall take an early Opportunity to pay a proper Regard and Attention to such of them as remain unfinished, and can at this inconvenient Season be fully considered.

Which was read and assented to, and signed by Order of the House by the honourable Speaker.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Smallwood* and Mr. *Chaille* 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 be pleased to receive it. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that the Governor signified he would receive the Address immediately at his own House.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Worthington*, Mr. *Hawkins*, and Mr. *Ringgold*, do present the Address to his Excellency.

Mr. *J. Hall* brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Adjournment of the Provincial Court*; which was read the first and second Time by an especial Order, and will pass.

*The House adjourns till 3 o'Clock.*

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The House met.

The Bill, entitled, *An Act for the Adjournment of the Provincial Court*, was sent to the Upper House by Mr. *Chase* and Mr. *Barnes*.

Mr. *Chaille* hath Leave of Absence for a few Days.

*The House adjourns till Monday Morning 9 o'Clock.*

M O N D A Y,