

Lib. J. R. scruple to assure them that they will most certainly be paid as  
& U. S. long as they shall continue in the Service.

I am with great Regard &c..

Your Excellency's most obed<sup>t</sup> and  
To Gov<sup>r</sup> Sharpe. most humble Servant  
Jo: Forbes.

Upon reading the same the President agreeable to the Governor's Letter desires the Opinion of this Board whether there is a Probability of the Assembly's complying at their next Meeting with General Forbes' Requisition or whether it is probable that the Lower House will propose to raise Supplies after any other Manner or Mode than that which they have during their last Session so strenuously insisted on, who unanimously say that it seems improbable that the Lower House would raise Mony by any other Mode.

The President then asks their Advice whether this present Assembly should be further prorogued or that it be dissolved and a new one called. Upon this question the Members present at the Board were equally divided so that no Advice could be given to his Excellency in Respect thereof, but the Question having been proposed to William Goldsborough Esq<sup>r</sup> and he being unable to attend, and having sent his opinion in Writing that a new Assembly ought to be called, this written opinion was ordered to be received as there was an immediate Necessity to determine the said Question, and it was accordingly ordered that the present General Assembly be dissolved, and that Writs of Election issue to call a new Assembly returnable to the first Tuesday in October next being the third Day of the same Month.

Talbot County Aug<sup>t</sup> 18.. 1758..

Sir..

p. 257 Being apprehensive for some Days past of an Attack from the intermitting Disorder which generally seizes me about this Time of the year, I am afraid to venture abroad or I should with Pleasure wait upon you on Monday next pursuant to your Call. Presuming that the Matters to be laid before the Council are agreeable to the Proposals made in the Governor's Letter I beg Leave as I cannot attend in Person to give you my Answer to them which I hope may be of as much Avail as it I could be present at the Board. The Governor seems inclined to leave the calling a new Assembly to the Determination of his Council, and as touching that Matter I am clearly of Opinion that as the present Assembly seems to be so wedded to the Mode of Assessment proposed by them at three several Assemblies last past they cannot