

and a Pattern worthy the imitation of all succeeding Governors, is, Sir, the hearty and Unanimous Wish of

Your Excellency's
most obedient, and
most humble Servants
Dav. Love Rector

Vestrymen {
Lewis Lee
Richard Beard Junior
Cha^s Steward
Rich^d Burgess
Edward Lee
Th^s Watkins

Church Wardens. {
Nicho^s Gassaway
Thomas N. Stockett

To Horatio Sharpe Esq^r late Governor of Maryland
The Address of the Justices of Talbot County

Sir

The Right honorable the Lord Proprietary of this Province having been pleased to appoint his Excellency Robert Eden Esq^r a near Relation of his Lordship to succeed you in this Government. Permit us, Sir, on taking Leave of you as our Governor, gratefully to acknowledge the Mildness and Equity of your Administration, and the Benefits and Happiness which have flowed from it to the People of this Province.

Ever since you have presided over us, we have observed, with Pleasure, your steady Care to have the Laws duly executed and Justice impartially administered, and that a Desire to promote the Good of this Province hath been the ruling motive of all your Actions. Such Motives and such Actions, worthy of those that are appointed to rule, must ever render your memory dear to a grateful People.

Your public Virtues impressed us with Esteem and Reverence for the Magistrate, whilst your social Virtues inspired us with the warmest Affection for the Man, and must now give you the Heartfelt Pleasure of being followed into your Retirement by the Prayers and Blessings of a People you made happy. But Virtue like yours will not be suffered to remain long sequestered from the World. and happy will that favored People be, over whom his Majesty shall hereafter appoint you to preside.

Rich^d Bozman
J. Goldsborough
Robt. Goldsborough
Edw^d Oldham
Jam^s Dickinson
Jon^a Nicols
W^m Martin