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ber next be further prorogued to Monday the Seventh day of Lib. C. B December next and Proclamations issued accordingly.

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At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Monday the p. 6 12<sup>th</sup> day of October in the Seventeenth Year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1767.

## Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor.

The honourable Benjamin Tasker, Benedict Calvert, John Ridout & W. Dulany Esq<sup>rs</sup>

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letters and Confession desiring their opinion thereon.

September 3<sup>d</sup> 1767

Sir.

I was this day taken at Sharpsburgh with a Quantity of Maryland Money which they say is Counterfeit and expect a Gentleman who's Name is John Arington is at your House a travelling a Stranger to me but he can make it appear how I came by it there is some of the Money that is not Signed desire him if you know where he is to come to me at Frederick Town Goal and I am a Stranger in this part of the World and have no Friends as I know of but if you know nothing of such man desire you'l come yourself pray fail not upon the Peril of your Life and you'l oblige

Your very humble Servant
Pray fail not coming to me Michael Rogers
To M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Wilcocks Living on
Maryland Line.

Dear Wife

I am very sorry to inform you of this Melancholy News that I am apprehended & am now in Irons at Frederick Town in Maryland I beg that you may take it as easy as you can and come as soon as possible you can to see me and bring me as much Money as you can I beg that you may go about among my Friends and they will help you to Money, After you have done what you can upon Smiths River I beg that you may go into Amherst County and apply to Colo William Cabbel and to James Nivils and to all the heads of that County as my friends and to my Brother John and apply yourself to Capt Thomas Devenport in Cumberland County and he will do more for