

Lib. J. R. Your Lordship's kind and ready Compliance some Months
& U. S. ago with a Similar Request for which you will be pleased to
accept our humble Thanks encourages Us to beg the favour
of your Lordship to present to their sacred Majesties the Ad-
dresses which are now transmitted,

Horatio Sharpe Lieut. Governor
Benj^a Tasker Pres. of the Council

p. 327 At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday the
20 of April Annoq Domini 1762.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor

Benjamin Tasker Esq ^r	}	Benedict Calvert Esq ^r
Sam ^l Chamberlain Esq ^r		Col ^o Henry
Col ^o Lloyd		Stephen Bordley Esq ^r
Richard Lee Esq ^r		John Ridout Esq ^r

His Excellency lays before this Board the following Letter
received by him from the Right Honourable the Earl of Egremont
One of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State as
also the inclosed Declaration of War of His Majesty against
the King of Spain

Whitehall January 7th 1762.

Sir

His Majesty, having found it necessary to declare War
against the King of Spain, was pleased, in a Council, held, on
Saturday last at S^t James's for that Purpose, to sign the in-
closed Declaration, and to order, that the same should be Pub-
lished, on Monday the 4th Instant, by the Heralds at Arms, in
the usual Places, and with the accustomed Formalities which
has Been Accordingly done, you will find the just and indis-
pensable Reasons which have forced the King to take this
Measure, so fully set forth in the above Declaration of War,
that I am only to signify to you His Majesty's Pleasure, that
you do cause the same to be Proclaimed in the Province of
Maryland, under your Government, in order that the King's
Subjects, having this Notice, may take care to prevent any
Mischief, which, otherwise they might suffer from the Enemy,
and do their duty, in their several stations, to distress and
annoy the Subjects of Spain; and His Majesty would have
you be very rigorous and severe in preventing any provisions,
Ammunition or Stores, of Any kind, from being carried to