

U. H. J. bounds of Lands within this Province Prepared by this house and sent to the Lower house by Col<sup>o</sup> Richard Tilghman

Col Holland and nine others of the Gov<sup>rs</sup> & Visitors of the Free Schools sent down to the Lower house with the foll<sup>o</sup> Address Viz.

To the Honble The G<sup>ral</sup> Assembly now sitting, The Address and representation of the Rect<sup>r</sup> Governours & Visitors of the Free schools of Maryland

We the Rectors Gov<sup>rs</sup> & Visitors af<sup>d</sup> having upon sundry meetings & Consultations had for the Propagation of the said Schools observed that the funds for Support thereof raised  
 p. 63 on the Exportation of beef Pork & Furs amount to a very small Income scarce Twenty pounds p<sup>o</sup> Annum so that the present School at Annapolis can hardly subsist but as it is supported by the Subscriptions of Sundry Charitable p<sup>sons</sup> Who have subscribed thereto And that there is not any probability much longer to Continue even that upon the Establishm<sup>t</sup> it is now upon much less to Establish other schools And for that We are Equally Concerned that all the other Counties in this Province shoud be Destitute of so necessary and beneficiall Establishm<sup>t</sup> of a School in each of them for the Instructing their youth in good literature & manners.

Presumeing upon the pious & good Inclinations of this present Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly, We do hereby address you that you woud be pleased in favour to the youth of this Province whose Unhappiness in the want of schools is much rather to be Lamented than their Application & Improvement doubted off had they the means provided to Assist their Studies for the better propagating & supporting the said Schools to give leave that a bill might be brought in this Present Session Declaring that whereas many p<sup>sons</sup> not being anywise of Kin or otherwise legally representing sundry Intestates often by p<sup>rtence</sup> of small Claims due from such Estates gain the Adm<sup>ns</sup> thereof & Convert the whole farr more than will satisfy their just Claims or demands to their proper uses without being anywise accountable therefore that such Adm<sup>rs</sup> may be Obliged to Account for the Residue of such Intestates' Estates and pay  
 p. 64 the ballances thereof to the Rectors Governours & Visitors of the Free schools for the Use & propagation thereof Which we Conceive may be an Additionall support to the said Schools And no ways prejudiciall to any body

Further we begg your kind Assistance that there may be a Clause added to the said Bill That fforasmuch as there is a ballance of an Account due to the Schools from the Estate of Col Thomas Smithson late Publick Trea<sup>r</sup> of the Eastern Shoar