

U. H. J. An Address being Drawn up by a Conference appointed for that purpose to his L^dship is laid before this house as follows Viz.

To the Right Honble Charles absolute Lord & Proprietarie of the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. And to the right Honble Francis Lord Guilford

The Humble Address of your Lordship's Upp^r and Lower houses of Assembly of Maryland.

May It Please your Lordships

We take ourselves to Lye under the Deepest sense of Gratitude for your L^dships most Acceptable Speech Transmitted to us this Sessions which we shall duly regard.

p. 116 Your Lordships Reasons for regulacon of the Act Entituled An Act Ascertainig the Bounds of Land are too Agreeable to the Experience we have had of that Law to fail of a perfect Conviction of the necessity of itt but the Law is of so great Importance that it requires the Most mature Deliberation to Concert the proper Alterations And therefore we begg leave to defer such Amendments till the next Sessions when we Doubt not but all due regard will be paid to your Lordships favourable Inclinations

We think ourselves Obliged as near as may be to follow the Example of Great Brittain in all our Parliamentary pceedings And Acknowledge your Lordships great favour in apprizeing us with the practice thereof in respect to private Acts but with all defference to that happy Constitution and Submission to your Lordship's observation thereon we are forced to Acknowledge that the Infancy of our Country does not as yet Admitt of such an Extensive Administration in the Ordinary Courts of Justice here, but that in some particular & Extraordinary Cases the Assistance of the Legislature may be Absolutely necessary to Supply the defects thereof.

We shall have a due Regard to your Lord^{ps} Sentiments relating to the Act for Officers Fees being fully Satisfied of the necessity of Supporting Officers Agreeable to their Sev^{ll} Stations but shall begg your Lordship to permitt us to Deferr that Consideration Likewise to Another Sessions

p. 117 An Engrost Bill for reviveing the Act ascertainig the Gauge and Tare of Tob^o hh^{ds} untill the Twenty ninth day of Septem^r Seventeen hundred & Twenty one, on his Excy the Gov^r his recomendation had past both houses of Assembly before the Receipt of your Lordship's Speech which we hope will be accepted as a Compliance with your Lordships Comands in respect to that Law 'till a further Opportunity and the