

such a State of Jealousy and Discontent as tends manifestly to the U. H. J. Subversion of that peace & Tranquillity which we at present Enjoy

We therefore with a Zeal suitable to our Stations assure your Excellency that we will not only exert ourselves upon the present p. 381 Occasion in making the best discovery we are able as well of the Authors and Abettors as of the dispersers of that Audacious Libel & Seditious Libel lately published in Prince Georges County. But that we are fully resolved also that if any the like Seditious Attempts should happen for the future to oppose the same with Vigour in Support of his Lordships dignity and just Prerogative in the preservation of your Excellencys Person and in promoting the peace and Tranquillity of all his Majestys Subjects within this Province of Maryland

Subscribed by all the Members Present

To which his Excellency made the following Reply

Gentlemen

Nothing can be more pleasing to me than the kind sence you entertain of my Vigilance to secure the just Liberty of Legislation the kind Assurances you give me of your ready Assistance on this and all like Occasions will leave Evil minded persons without hopes of carrying on such seditious designs with Success or even aiming at them with Impunity since they may be well assured of a Vigorous and united opposition to all Invasions of the rights of Government of A freedom in Legislation and of the repose his Majestys Subjects the Lord Proprietarys good Tenants now happily enjoy.

Benedict Leonard Calvert

Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning nine of the Clock.

Friday Morning November the 1st 1728.

November 1

This House met again according to Adjournment Psent as yesterday

Read the second time the Act for Improving the Staple of Tobacco which is ordered to be thus endors'd viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly November the 1st 1728

This Bill being read the second time will pass with the following Additions viz. the words (at any reasonable time before or after the said 10th day of April) in the 9th line of the last sheet and the words (which the Debtors shall be unable to pay) in the 13th line of the same Sheet being left out.

Signed 7 Order Geo. Plater Cl Up Ho.