U. H. J. To which Message the following Answer is Prepared viz.

By the Upper house of Assembly October the 11th 1727 Gentlemen

Your Messuage this Day by Coll John Ward and Captain Robert Gordon signifyeing your Resolution of Sitting from nine a Clock in the morning till four in the Afternoon for the Dispatch of Publick business is well approved of by this House.

Signed p Order Geo. Plater Cl Up Ho.

Sent by John Hall Esq^r

Captain John Rider and M^r Nicholas Goldsborough from the Lower House present M^r Benjamin Pemberton a member Elected for Talbott County in order for his Qualification

Who takes the several oaths to his Present Majesty appointed by Law and Subscribes the oath of Abjuration and Test. And then they withdrew.

Adjourned till to morrow Morning nine of the Clock

October 12

Thursday October the 12th 1727

Met again according to Adjournment. Present as yesterday with the addition of Philemon Lloyd Esq^r

Col^o William Holland attended by the rest of the members of this house present to his Excellency the Governour their Answer to his speech to both houses of Assembly in the Councill Room at the opening of the Sessions which is as follows Viz.

p. 5 To his Excellency Benedict Leonard Calvert Governour and Commander in chiefe in and over the Province of Maryland.

The Humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly May it please your Excellency

We begg leave in the humblest manner to Return your Excellency our most hearty thanks for your favourable Speech to both houses at the opening of the Session of Assembly, wherein you have been pleased to use such Pathetick Expressions in condoleing with us the unparrelled loss we have Sustained by the Death of the best of Kings our late renowned Sovereign of happy memory as have again Revived the great Griefe we had before Conceived upon that most melancholy occasion, and what indeed would have been Insupportable had it not been alievated by the happy Accession of his Royall Successor our present most Gracious King George the Second to the Throne of the Brittish Dominions; in whom We doubt not but