

U. H. J.  
Liber No. 34  
March 19

Wednesday Morning 19 March 1745

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as Yesterday

The following Message with an Association is sent to the Lower House by Samuel Chamberlain Esq<sup>r</sup> and three others

p. 108 By the Upper House of Assembly 19 March 1745  
Gentlemen

Agreeable to Our Address and the Address of Your House to the Governor (which his Excellency has been pleased to lay before Us) We have signed an Association Which We now send that it may be also Signed by the several Members of Your House

Signed p Order J Ross Cl Up Ho.

Whereas a most Unnatural Rebellion hath been and as We fear is still carryed on in Great Britain in favour of a Popish Pretender, educated in the Bigotry and Superstition of the Church of Rome and trained up in the Arbitrary Principles of the Courts of France and Spain by whose Councils and Supplies his Cause is governed and supported

And Whereas It cannot be doubted but that the French seated on the River Canada in pursuance of the same pernicious Designs will take all Occasions of annoying his Majestys Subjects either by exciting the Indians or making Incursions into this or some other of the Neighbouring Colonies

We whose Names are hereunto subscribed the Governor and the Members of the Upper and Lower Houses of the Assembly of the Province of Maryland at this time Convened being truly sensible of that inestimable Happiness which his Majestys Subjects enjoy in the full and free Possession of their Religion Liberties and Properties under his most sacred Majesty King George the second do hold Ourselves bound by all the Ties of Loyalty and Duty and Gratitude as well to declare Our Abhorrence of this detestable Rebellion as also Our firm and unavoidable Attachment to Our most Gracious Sovereign and his Government But as by Our Distance We cannot hope for an Opportunity of manifesting the sincerity of these our Dutiful Professions by any immediate Service to his sacred Person We therefore do solemnly Promise and hereby engage Ourselves to stand by each other and to the utmost of Our Power and Ability to defend his Majestys Rights his Royal Authority and Gov<sup>t</sup> not only against the attempts of his Avowed Enemies but against any wicked Machinations of concealed Traytors to their King and Country

This Engagement We solemnly and willingly enter into to manifest Our Gratitude to the best of Sovereigns Our Love to Our Country and its Liberties and Our Detestation of Popery and Slavish Principles of that superstitious Religion

Adjourned till three of the Clock in the Afternoon