L.H. J. this House will address his Excellency in relation thereto; and Ordered, that the Committee of Laws prepare and bring in an Address accordingly.

Daniel Dulany Esq, from the Upper House delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Representation. Indorsed. (See Appendix.)

Mr Hammond from the Committee of Laws delivers Mr Speaker an Address to the Governor, which was read, approved of, and ordered to be ingrossed.

The following Message, with the Association, was sent to the Upper House by Dr Buchanan and Mr Tilghman. (See page 239.)

The following Ingrossed Address to his Excellency being read and assented to, was ordered, on Behalf of the House, to be signed by the Honourable Speaker, viz.

To his Excellency Thomas Bladen Esq Governor of Maryland.

The humble Address of the House of Delegates.

May it please Your Excellency,

p. 558 We can with great Sincerity assure your Excellency, that you could not have more Satisfaction from our Readiness to join in an Association, than we had in making that Declaration. But as the Form of that signed by your Excellency, and sent down to our House, was such, that we could not unanimously come into; we have returned it back to the Upper House unsigned, and proposed a Conference with the Members thereof, for the Drawing of such an one as may be equally agreeable to the several Branches of the Legislature.

M<sup>r</sup> Key and M<sup>r</sup> Stoddert ordered to acquaint his Excellency, that this House hath prepared an Address to him, and desires to know, when and where he will be pleased to receive it. They return and acquaint M<sup>r</sup> Speaker, his Excellency will be ready immediately to receive it in the Council Chamber.

M<sup>r</sup> Key, with four others, sent to present the Address: They return and acquaint M<sup>r</sup> Speaker they have presented it.

The House adjourns 'til To-Morrow Morning 9 of the Clock.

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## Thursday Morning, March 20. 1745

The House met according to Adjournment, and the Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

Philip Thomas Esq<sup>re</sup> from the Upper House, delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following Message. (See page 239.)

M<sup>r</sup> Walter Smith, a returned Member for Calvert County, appears in the House.

M<sup>r</sup> Mackall and M<sup>r</sup> Tilghman are sent with M<sup>r</sup> Smith to the Upper House to see him qualified: They return and acquaint M<sup>r</sup> Speaker they saw him qualified in the usual Manner.