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M. Lloyd, from the Committee of Laws, brings in and delivers to M. Speaker the following ingrossed Address, viz.

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland.

The humble Address of the House of Delegates. May it please your Excellency,

By the Petitions and Depositions that accompanied your Excellency's Message of the second Instant, we perceive the Necessity you were under of ordering Companies of Twenty Men each, under the Command of Lieutenants Baker and Shelby, to be raised and sent to the Frontiers, for the immediate Protection of those Inhabitants; and being persuaded that your Excellency did it on a Dependence that the Assembly would make Provision to enable you to comply with the Engagement you entered into for the Payment of those Men; and as we judge it expedient to give some further Encouragement to those Men, or any others, by rewarding them for the Scalps of such Indian Enemies as they may kill, or for Indian Enemies taken alive; we have, in Conjunction with the Upper House, entered into an Ordinance for taking Five Hundred Pounds out of the Loan-Office, to be paid to your Excellency, for the Purposes aforesaid, as the speediest Method of proceeding to encourage the back Inhabitants to exert themselves, until the Bills, now preparing, be passed into Laws, for the more effectual Security of our Frontiers, in which we hope ample Provision will be made for our own Defence, and the defeating the Designs of our Enemies.

Which was read and assented to, and signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That M.r Murdock and M.r Waggaman do acquaint his Excellency, That this House hath prepared an Address, to be presented to him, and desires to know when and where he will please to receive it: They return and acquaint M.r Speaker, that the Governor was pleased to signify he would receive the Address immediately in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That Major Hall and Col. Henry do present the Address. The House adjourns until 2 of the Clock Afternoon.

## Post-Meridiem.

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.
The House adjourns until Monday Morning at 9 of the Clock.

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The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as on Saturday, except M.r Reynolds, M.r