M. Lloyd, from the Committee of Laws, brings in and delivers to L. H. J. M. Speaker an ingrossed Bill entituled, An Act for the Continuance of Process in Cæcil County March Court, and to cure some Defects that may have happened in the proceedings of the several County Courts of this province and for the explaining an Act of Assembly Entituled an Act for Appointing certain Days on which the several and Respective County Courts Within this Province are to be held and an ingrossed Bill entituled, An Act to vest certain entailed Lands, &c. in the Female Heirs of Leonard Hollyday, Gentleman, &c. which Bills were severally read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bills thereof, by M. Benjamin Mackall and M. Reynolds.

M. Carroll 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,

We hope your Excellency will not impute our Omission to answer your Message of the 22d Day of March last to any Thing but the true Cause, our close Application to a Bill for his Majesty's Service and our common Safety, which, from the Length and Variety of p. 211 Matter contained in it, has almost totally engrossed our Thoughts.

As we have good Reason, from the best Intelligence we can procure, to believe, that the Numbers of Men mentioned in your Excellency's Estimate, sent us with that Message, have not been raised, as in that Estimate it was supposed they would be, we make not the least Doubt but that the Bill, now under our Consideration, and nearly perfected, which will make ample Provision for every Service that can be reasonably required of us, will be enacted into a Law Time enough effectually to guard against every Danger, which appears at present to threaten us.

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

Ordered, That M. Lloyd and Capt. Stoddert 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 M. Smallwood and Capt. Waggaman do present the Address to his Excellency.

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.