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tent with our Duty to our Constituents, forbear to observe in general, that the carrying the said Plan into Execution would absolutely subvert that happy Form of Government which we have a Right to by our Charter, (the Freedom of which was doubtless one great Inducement to our Ancestors to leave their Friends and native Country, and venture their Lives and Fortunes among a Fierce and Savage People, in a rough uncultivated World), and destroy the Rights, Liberties, and Properties of his Majesty's loyal Subjects of this Province.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Murdock and Mr. Earle, 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 Mr. Speaker, that the Governor was pleased to signify that he was ready to receive the Address immediately, in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That Col. R. J. Henry, and Three more, do present the Address.

Mr. Bordley, from the Committee of Laws, brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill entituled, An Act for the Continuance of Process in Baltimore County Court; which was Read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Matthew Tilghman, from the Committee of Laws, brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency; which was read, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed.

The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at 9 of the Clock.

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Tuesday Morning, 11th March, 1755.

The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

The Bill entituled, An Act for the Continuance of Process in Baltimore County Court, was Read the second Time, and will pass, and was sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Govane and Mr. Edmondson.

p. 55 Mr. Matthew Tilghman, from the Committee of Laws, brings in, and delivers to Mr. 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,

In Answer to your Message of the 4th Instant, we cannot but express our Concern, that any Parts of the Act entituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees, should be liable to the least Objection from our Lord Proprietary.