

Col. Tilghman brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, an Address to his Excellency; which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingressed.

L. H. J.  
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Mr. Hammond hath Leave of the House to go home.

On Motion, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the Disbursement of the Monies raised by several Acts of Assembly for maintaining the Forces to Guard the Western Frontier of this Province, and into the State and Condition of Fort Frederick, and into the Conduct and Behaviour of the Officers and Soldiers supported in the Pay of this Province; Col. Tilghman, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Edward Dorsey, Col. Cresap, and Mr. Chapline, be appointed a Committee for that Purpose; and that they be impowered to send for Persons, Papers, and Records, to attend them.

Mr. Carroll brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Ingressed Address, viz.<sup>t</sup>

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,

Mr. John Ridout having been Guilty of a Contempt of the Authority, and of a Breach of the Rights and Privileges of this House, at the Bar thereof, we did issue a Warrant to our Serjeant to take him into Custody: This we conceive to be a Right which we ought to exercise without any previous Application to your Excellency. If the Serjeant, in the Execution of his Duty, behaved in a Manner inconsistent with the Decorum that ought to be observed in your Excellency's House while you are at Dinner, it was not by any Direction from this House; and we hope, if he has been Guilty of the least Intrusion or Indecency, your Excellency will impute it to his being but just appointed to his Office.

Which was Read and Assented to, and Signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That Mr. John Goldsborough and Mr. Plater 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 signified he would receive the Address in Half an Hour's Time in the Conference Chamber.

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Ordered, That Mr. Lloyd, and Fourteen more, do present the Address to the Governor.

On Motion, Ordered, That an Address be prepared to his Excellency, in Answer to his Message of Saturday Afternoon; and that Col. Tilghman, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, Mr.