Saturday, 15th October, 1757.

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The House met according to Adjournment: The Members were Oct. 15 called, and all appeared as Yesterday, except Mr. Hammond and Mr. Carroll. The Proceedings were Read.

Col. Cresap, Capt. Cockey Deye, Mr. Earle, Mr. King, Mr. J. J. Mackall, and Mr. Edward Gantt, have Leave to go home.

Ordered, That Mr. Waggaman 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 was pleased to signify he would be ready to receive the Address in Half an Hour's Time in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That Alexander Williamson, Esq; with Three more, do present the Address to the Governor.

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

Mr. Dulany brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Ingrossed Address, viz.^t

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe, Esquire; 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 shall always chearfully give every reasonable Assistance in our Power to any Squadron of his Majesty's Ships that may be sent to protect the Colonies and Trade of his Subjects in America, but as the Number of Seamen employed within this Province is inconsiderable, and those chiefly out at this Season, it is impossible for us to advise your Excellency to any Method of complying with Rear Admiral Holburne's Request to you in his Letter of the Tenth of July last, communicated to us with your Message of the Seventh Instant, to procure Men for making up the Deficiencies in his Squadron.

Nor do we think it could be of any Use to attempt a Compliance with that Request at this Time, because, were it in our Power, we presume these Deficiencies must have been long since supplied.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Gray and Mr. Lecompte 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 he would receive the Address in a Quarter of an Hour's Time in the Conference Chamber.

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