L. H. J. his Majesty's Service, and be productive of many and great Evils: Liber No. 49 But the Method to bring about this desirable End, is humbly submitted to the Wisdom of the House.

Signed p Order, William Wilkins, Clerk.

Which was Read, and the House Concurs therewith.

On Motion, that an Address be prepared to his Excellency on the Matters set forth in the said Report.

Ordered, That Mr. Edward Dorsey, Mr. Matthew Tilghman, and Mr. Lloyd, do prepare and bring in such Address.

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

Mr. Matthew Tilghman brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Ingrossed Address, viz.t

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,

The General Embargo laid about March last, upon all Vessels in this Province Outward bound, being a Measure new and unknown in this Government, and having drawn down Consequences so destructive of the Interest of many of the good People thereof, that the p. 121 Necessitous have been obliged to part with their Grain and other produce of their Labour, at a Price much below the real Value, in order to subsist their Families and pay their Public Taxes, which many are even rendered unable to do; and those who have not been under a Necessity to part with their Commodities at an under Rate, have them now perishing on their Hands: We think ourselves obliged, in Duty to our Constituents, to request that your Excellency will be favourably pleased to inform us by what Authority the Embargo was laid, and by what Power it was so far dispensed with, that some particular Vessels were permitted to depart the Province during the Continuance of that Embargo.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Lee 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 immediately in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That Alexander Williamson, Esq; and Three more, do present the Address to his Excellency.