

Resolved, That this House in their Message of the 27th April last, by the Words, "We hope every Mode of Proceeding, which has been made Use of between the Two Houses on similar Occasions, will be pursued on this, for bringing about the Passage of a Bill of so great Importance," plainly shewed their Willingness to proceed by a Conference with that House, had they proposed one, as they did in the Case of the Bill for Granting £40,000 in 1756.

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Resolved, That this House has done what was incumbent on them, as faithful and loyal Subjects, towards making a Grant for his Majesty's Service, and the Defence and Security of this Province; and though their Endeavours for those important Purposes have been frustrated by the Non-Concurrence of the Upper House, they are conscious the deplorable Circumstances which this unhappy Province may probably labour under, through Want of such a Grant, cannot be imputed to them.

Mr. Carroll brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Ingressed 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,

The Clerk of this House is ordered to lay before your Excellency, a Copy of the Reports of the Committee of both Houses appointed to Inspect the Office and Proceedings of the Commissioners or Trustees of the Loan-Office, by which you'll be pleased to observe, that the above Commissioners have failed in sundry Points of their Duty, and several Officers have been deficient, as well with Regard to the Payment of Monies into the Office, as in many other Respects. 'Tis needless to urge to your Excellency how much the Public Credit must suffer by such Neglects and Omissions: We must therefore beg Leave to trouble your Excellency with a Request, that you'll be pleased to direct that the Bonds of all Officers mentioned in the Reports, be forthwith put in Suit, except in the Case of the Sheriff of Queen-Anne's County who, it appears to this House, has complied with his Duty since the Report was made; and any other where your Excellency may have good Reason to believe there may be a speedy Compliance.

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We must particularly desire, that those Officers who have neglected their Duty during the whole Time of their Continuing in Office, and many who to this Time have delayed to account and make their Payments, may be treated with that Rigour which they justly deserve; and hope all the Officers of this Government will be informed, that a strict Compliance with their Duty is expected.

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