

U. H. J.
Liber No. 35
March 25

Present as in the Morning

Benjamin Tasker Esq Attended by the Members of this House presented to his Excellency the Address of this House which follows in these words

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland

The Humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly
May it Please your Excellency.

We beg leave to return your Excellency our sincere thanks for your Speech at the opening of this Session and to express our gratitude to that almighty being who has so Conspicuously Conducted the Fleets and Armies of our most Gracious Sovereign, to the many great and Signal Successes Obtained through the Course of the Last year.

These we hope may be considered as an important Step towards inclining the French King to listen to and accept of peace, upon such Terms as may be consistent with the honour of our most Gracious Sovereign and the Interest, Security and hapiness of all his Subjects. But for the Accomplishment of this great and Salutary purpose his Majesty being still Obligated to keep his Sword un-sheathed, and having called upon us among his other faithfull and brave Subjects on this Continent at this Juncture chearfully to cooperate with and second to the utmost the extraordinary Succours supplied by our mother Country for our preservation and future Security, We beg leave to Assure your Excellency that we shall with all imaginable Chearfulness and Dispatch do everything in our power to Answer his royal Expectations.

And we are willing to hope, that while the Neighbouring Colonies are Affording the strongest proofs of their Loyalty and affection to the best of Kings by their ready Compliance with his Just and reasonable Demands and of their Prudence in taking Care of their own immediate Security, by exerting their most Vigorous efforts in his Service; We of this Province shall not again be the Single Instance in this part of his Majestys Dominions, of an ungratefull Noncompliance with those demands so Necessary Tending to the Maintainance of his Majestys Honour and the Security & hapiness of his Dominions in General and of this Province in Particular

May the rock whereon we have heretofore Split at this Time be
p. 423 Cautiously Avoided so that the Conclusion of this Session may efface the remembrance of all past Failures and the People of this Province be Restored to their former Rank amongst his Majestys most Dutifull and affectionate Subjects

B Tasker President

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Adjourned till Morrow Morning at Ten of the Clock