

by every Solace of human Nature; and we most fervently pray, that your Majesty's Reign may be distinguished, as well by its Length, as its Felicity.

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Saturday and Part of Monday, some of the Gentlemen of your House being absent by the Leave of the House; on Tuesday Afternoon, the 21st Instant, all the Gentlemen of your House met; and upon Consideration of the Form abovementioned, agreed to propose to the Gentlemen of the Upper House, the following Alterations therein, and Addition to be made thereto; after the Word experienced, in the Nineteenth Line, instead of the Words in the amplest Manner, insert these Words, so far as their particular Circumstances would admit. After the Word Blessings, in the 27th Line, instead of the Words, we have so long enjoyed during, insert these Words, which have flowed from. At the End, add these Words, and that there may never be wanting one of your Royal Defendants to fill the Throne, till Time shall be no more.

That the Members of your House being divided in Opinion, upon the Expediency of making any farther Addition to the said Form, thought proper to recur to the House for their Instructions. That in Compliance with the Directions of the Honourable House, your Members did, at a Meeting of the whole Committee on Thursday Morning the 23d Instant, propose to the Gentlemen of the Upper House a fair Draft of the above Address, with the Alterations and Addition before noted, and the further Addition following, viz.

But may it please your Majesty to indulge us, destitute as we are of the proper Means of obtaining Access to the Throne, while we make Use of this Opportunity of humbly expressing our Concern, that this Province has, during the present just and necessary War, contributed so little to the Service of our late most Gracious Sovereign; and our Confidence, that, until a full Enquiry be made into the Causes thereof (which we most earnestly desire) and the People shall be permitted to raise a Support for an Agent, who may lay all their Grievances which they suffer under the Government of their Lord Proprietary, properly before your Majesty, you will be graciously pleased to continue that favourable Opinion, which, we hope, you have hitherto entertained of your Protestant Inhabitants of the Province of Maryland; than whom, permit us, Royal Sir, to say, your Majesty has not, in all your Dominions, Subjects more Loyal, more hearty Well-wishers to our present happy Establishment, or more firmly or affectionately attached to your most Sacred Person and Government.

That the Gentlemen of the Upper House, upon being told that the said Draft, with the Alterations and Additions aforesaid, was offered by Direction of your House, and was delivered them for their Consideration, after Reading over the same, immediately left the Members of your House without saying one Word; which