U. H. J. Liber No. 36 April 1 Gentlemen of the Upper House of Assembly

I herewith send you Two Letters that I lately received from the Earl Egremont and S.^r Jeffery Amherst by which you will perceive that the King thinking it highly essential to the Interests & Security of his Subjects in North America that the Regular Regiments serving on this Continent be recruited with all Expedition to the full Compliment of Effectives, and at the same time considering how Great Britain is drained by furnishing Such Numbers of Men for the various Services in all parts of the World so as to render it impracticable to recruit these Regiments from thence, hath been pleased to Signify to these Provinces his Desire and Expectation that they will severally furnish their respective Quotas of Recruits to Compleat the Regiments which have been sent hither from Europe for our Defence and Protection

As this Demand Gentlemen is so very reasonable and so evidently calculated for the Security and Advantage of these Colonies I flatter myself you will on your parts most readily perform what is required of you, The Number of Recruits demanded from this Province being only Eighty four I doubt not but they may be Speedly raised if you will but appropriate a Small sum to be distributed by way of Bounty Money amongst the Men that may Enlist especially as S.^r Jeffery Amherst is pleased to promise a Considerable Sum to each Recruit besides a Reward of forty Shillings New York Currency to the Officer or Person that Shall enlist them.

Hor.° Sharpe

[The two letters referred to in the first paragraph of above message of Gov. Sharpe viz. (1) from the Earl of Egremont, and (2) from Sir Jeffrey Amherst, are omitted here as they are printed in full in the Archives of Maryland, Volume XIV, pages 13-14 and 28-29]

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By the Upper House of Assembly 1.st April 1762

Ordered that the Clerk of this House do give Notice to the Agents appointed by the Act Entituled An Act for granting a Supply of 40000 Pounds for his Majesty's Service and Striking 34015.6.0 thereof in Bills of Credit & raising a Fund for Sinking the same to lay or Cause to be laid before this House their Accounts of the Sums of Money rec'd & applied by them in pursuance of the said Act for Inspection & Examination, sent to William Murdock Ja.s Dick & Daniel Wolstenholme

Notice given accordingly to Mr Dick Adjourned till 3 of the Clock in the Afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This House Met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the Morning

Read the Petition of Sundry the Inhabitants of S.t Pauls Parish in Baltimore County praying the Sum of £600 may be Levyed on the