

To his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq.^r Governor of Maryland
The Humble Address of the House of Delegates

L. H. J.
Liber No. 52
Dec. 18

May it please Your Excellency

The Unhappy Circumstance of the Small Pox being in Town and One of Our Members now Dead of that Disorder will we are ap^hensive make it impossible for us to keep a Suff.^t Number together to compose a House longer than this Day or To Morrow and as several Useful Bills have passed both Houses and wait only for your Excellencys Assent we humbly pray you will be pleased to pass them into Laws that should we be Obliged to separate before the M^res yet under Consideration of Either of the two Houses can be completed the Country may not lose the Benefit of the Bills already agreed to

Which was read and assented to and signed by Order of the House by the Hon.^{ble} Speaker

Ord.^d that Col.^o Lloyd and M.^r Grahame do acquaint the Governor 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 M^r Speaker that the Governor signified he would receive the Address in Half an Hours Time at his House

Ord.^d that Col.^o Lloyd and three more do present the Address to the Governor

On Motion Ord.^d that M^r Speaker do Issue his Warr.^t directed to the Deputy Secretary of this p^rvince to make out a Writ of Election to the Sheriff of Dorchester County to elect a Delegate to serve in the General Assembly of this Province now Sitting in the Room of Col.^o Henry Travers deceased

The House adjourns 'till 2 of the Clock

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The House met

The Bill Entitled an Act for Limiting the Time of Sinking the Paper Bills of Credit &c was read the 2.^d Time by especial Order and will pass and was sent to the Upper House by M.^r Bealle and M.^r J. Hall of Balt.^e County

On Consideration of the Report brought in by M^r Grahame relative to the Petitions of Captain Joshua Bealle Capt.ⁿ Ware Lieut^t Rezin Bealle Barton Lucas and Alexander Somerville the House allowed

	Current Money
To said Joshua Bealle in full for his Services and Expences during the late War.....	£200..0..0
To Capt. ⁿ Ware.....	250..0..0
To Lieut, Rezin Bealle for his Services.....	100..0..0
To Ensign Alex. ^r Somerville for his Expences and Services	20..0..0
To Barton Lucas for his Services.....	40..0..0