

her Main and Mizzen-masts about the latter End of Sept. in a violent Gale of Wind; and afterwards, in lying too in the same Gale, a Sea struck the Vessel, and washed the Matter, Mate and 7 Hands, overboard, who were all drowned; also carried away the Boats, Quarter-Rails, Stanchions, and every Thing off the Deck; she had 5 Hands and a Passenger on board, and was then bearing away for Antigua; on the 18th in Lat. 32: 12, Long. 68: 30, spoke a Schooner, from Virginia, for Jamaica, 5 Days out; and on the 30th, in Lat. 37: 22, about 125 Leagues to the Eastward of Cape Henry, he spoke the Ship Swan, from Maryland, for London, 5 Days out, all well.

Captain Badger, from Maryland, informs, that he saw a Ship ashore on Cape Henry; that the Master of a Fishing Boat acquainted him, she was from London, and had Convicts on board, who had attempted to run away with the Ship, which obliged the Captain and Crew to fire on them, when Two of the Convicts were killed.

WILLIAMSBURG, November 9.

TO THE PRINTER.

THE following Paragraph in a Letter from an American, and a true Friend of Liberty, now in London, to his Friend in Virginia, who has also a real Regard for Liberty, ought to be made public, as it will give the Virginians an Opportunity of being grateful to so worthy a Governor, as I am sure they always will to be.

London, July 19, 1769.

Lord BOTETOURT, to his honour, has wrote "much in your Favour. Since the Advices from Virginia and Boston, it is generally believed the American Revenue Acts will be repealed, though some weighty People are against it. Most here think the Americans are in the Right."

To his Excellency the Right Honourable NORBORNE Baron de BOTETOURT, his Majesty's Lieutenant and Governor General of the Colony and Dominion of VIRGINIA, and Vice Admiral of the same.

The humble ADDRESS of the COUNCIL.

MY LORD,

WE his Majesty's dutiful Subjects, the Council of Virginia, now met in General Assembly, return your Excellency our sincerest Thanks for your kind Speech at the Opening of this Session, and for the Opportunity you have afforded us of dispatching the public Business of this Dominion. Your Excellency may be assured that the several Matters you have so earnestly recommended to the Legislature at this Time, will be attended to, and considered by the Council, with all the Temper and Moderation which the Importance of them requires; and, that we shall give a cheerful and ready Compliance with all such Measures as may best promote the Honour of the Crown, and the Happiness of his Majesty's Subjects of Virginia. The Information your Excellency has been pleased to give us, of the Intention of his Majesty's Ministers to propose in the next Session of Parliament to take off the Duty upon Paper, Glass, and Colours, is extremely agreeable to us; as a Repeal of the Revenue-Acts will be the most effectual Method to heal the Differences that have unhappily subsisted between Great-Britain and her Colonies, and to restore that Harmony and mutual Confidence which are so necessary for the Welfare and Prosperity of both. We acknowledge, with particular Satisfaction, that our most sanguine Expectation, upon your Excellency's Arrival in the Colony, have been fully answered, by the Experience we have already had of your prudent, wise, and equitable Administration; and we look upon it as a sure Prefage of Happiness to this Country.

To which his EXCELLENCY was pleased to return the following ANSWER:

Gentlemen of the Council,

I ACCEPT with the utmost Thankfulness your very affectionate Address, and am proud to acknowledge that I find indebted to your able and friendly Counsel for a Degree of Credit with which I have been honoured by this respectable Dominion.

To his Excellency the Right Honourable NORBORNE Baron de BOTETOURT, his Majesty's Lieutenant and Governor-General of the Colony and Dominion of VIRGINIA, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

The humble ADDRESS of the HOUSE of BURGESSSES.

MY LORD,

WE his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Burgesses of Virginia, now met in General Assembly, beg Leave to return your Excellency our sincere and unfeigned Thanks for your very kind and affectionate Speech at the Opening of this Session.

It gives us great Pleasure, that we have again the Honour of Meeting your Lordship in General Assembly, as it affords us an Opportunity of renewing to your Excellency, the strongest Assurances of our uninterrupted and most inviolable Attachment to the Sacred Person and Government of our Royal Sovereign, and, at the same Time, of discharging the important Duties we owe to our Constituents.

We should think ourselves extremely deficient in Duty and Affection to the best of Kings, were we not deeply impressed with the warmest Sentiments of Gratitude by his Majesty's most gracious Purpose of recommending to his Parliament a Repeal of the Act imposing Duties upon Glass, Paper, and Colours; especially, as we cannot doubt but that the same Wisdom and Goodness, which have already induced his Majesty favourably to regard the humble Entreaties of his faithful Subjects in America, will still farther incline the Royal-Breast to an Exertion of his Majesty's gracious and benign Influence, towards perfecting the Happiness of all his People.

It adds greatly, my Lord, to our Satisfaction and Comfort, to learn from your Excellency, that his Majesty's present Administration, have at no Time entertained a Design to propose to Parliament the laying any farther Taxes upon America, for the Purpose of raising a Revenue: and we will not suffer our present Hopes,

arising from the pleasing Prospect your Lordship hath so kindly opened and displayed to us, to be dashed by the bitter Reflection, that any future Administration will entertain a Wish to depart from that Plan, which affords the surest and most permanent Foundation of public Tranquillity and Happiness. No, my Lord, we are sure our most gracious Sovereign, under whatever Changes may happen in his confidential Servants, will remain immutable in the Ways of Truth and Justice, and that he is incapable of deceiving his faithful Subjects; and we esteem your Lordship's Information not only as warranted, but even sanctified by the Royal Word.

Your Lordship's great Regard and Attention to the Welfare and true Interests of this Colony, had before endeared you to us all; but your generous and noble Declarations, upon this Occasion, demand our warmest and most grateful Acknowledgments.

We will, my Lord, immediately take under our most serious Consideration the important Business, upon which we are now assembled, especially that Part of it, you have been pleased particularly to recommend; we will proceed with that Temper and Moderation, which is necessary to give Weight and Dignity to our Deliberations; and we do assure your Lordship, that we shall think ourselves supremely happy, if, in conducting the arduous and momentous Affairs of this great Country, we should, in the End, receive the Approbation of a Ruler, we so very cordially honour and esteem.

To which his EXCELLENCY was pleased to return the following ANSWER:

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses,

YOUR kind and affectionate Address brightens my Prospect, and fills me with the delightful Expectation of completely answering the Purposes of my Royal Master. May the Almighty secure to me that desirable Object, by directing your Councils for the Advantage and Prosperity of all his Majesty's extensive Dominions, and may you continue a loyal, free and happy People, till Time shall be no more.

ANNAPOLIS, November 25.

The SPEECH of his EXCELLENCY ROBERT EDEN, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland, on Friday the 17th of November, 1769.

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, FROM my Desire of accommodating the Public Business to your private Affairs, I have delayed calling you together; nor should I, did not the Exigencies of Government make it necessary, now meet you, merely to notify the Lord Proprietary's Appointment of me, to succeed Colonel Sharpe, as Governor of this Province; to merit which Honour, and the Trust thus reposed in me, I shall ever consider it to be my indispensable Duty to promote, on all Occasions, the Prosperity of Maryland.

Gentlemen of the Lower House,

Convinced, as I am, that the real Interests of the Lord Proprietary, and the People of this Province, are inseparable, I meet this Assembly with the most agreeable Prospect. From your Attachment to the Welfare of your Country, from your Knowledge of its Circumstances, and from your Moderation and Prudence, I derive the most persuasive and pleasing Expectation that this Session will be distinguished, by the Benefits which a dispassionate and amicable Intercourse cannot fail to produce, by the Propriety of your Proceedings, and by the Utility of those Laws which shall be enacted.

His Lordship has been pleased to assure you, in the Message I am now to have the Honour of delivering to you, that if you will prepare the Plan for the further Improvement of the Province, his Encouragement shall not be wanting.

Tho' I warmly wish, that a well founded Provision for a more liberal Institution of Youth may be established here, yet, I do not undertake, at this Time, to recommend particular Objects to your Attention: The Observations I have made, during the short Interval since my Arrival, not affording me sufficient Grounds; and, if that Interval had been much longer, your Experience would probably anticipate my Recommendations; but, give me leave to assure you, you may always rely upon my most cordial Concurrence in every Measure you may Propose, conducive to the Welfare and Happiness of the Province.

Gentlemen of both Houses,

I am sensible I shall be judged of by my Actions, and not by any Assurances I may now give you of my future Conduct; to that Test I most readily submit, and shall be truly happy when I leave you, to be able, like my Predecessor, to lay my Hand on my Heart, in Confidence of having acted solely on the Principles here laid down, and, of having merited, by so doing, the Thanks of those over whom I have the Honour to preside.

To his EXCELLENCY ROBERT EDEN, 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,

HIS Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Upper House of Assembly, beg leave to congratulate your Excellency on your Appointment to the Government of this Province, and safe Arrival with your Family; and to tender our best Thanks to you for your very obliging Speech at the Opening of this Session.

Whilst we indulge the most sanguine Hopes, that the Advancement of the true Interests of the People will mark the honourable Character of your Excellency's Administration, give us Leave to express our warmest Wishes, that the Residence of yourself and Lady among us, will be made agreeable, by all the Returns which are due to the most engaging Affability and Complacency.

The Justice we owe to a Character, really estimable, demands from us, some Tribute to the Merit of our late worthy Governor—Amidst the general Appro-

bation of his just, equitable, and prudent Administration, we cannot withhold our Eulogy.—In Consequence of his steady Adherence to the Duties of his Station, his firm Assertion of the Rights of the Lord Proprietary, and his Maintenance of the Privileges of the People, he deservedly gained their Applauses, whilst he faithfully answered his Lordship's Expectation, and justly entitled himself to his most distinguished Regard.

We entirely agree with your Excellency, that the real Interests of the Lord Proprietary and the People of this Province are inseparable; and, if any Evidence were wanting to confirm the Principle, the concurring Sentiments of his Lordship and the good People of this Province, in Favour of a Gentleman, who invariably made it the Plan of his Administration, would amply supply it.

From the short Time your Excellency has been among us, it cannot be expected that you can have framed such a comprehensive Knowledge of the Circumstances of the Country, as to be able to recommend an adequate Provision of Laws; but the Intimation you have given, of a more liberal Establishment for the Institution of Youth, gives us the most lively Impression of your Excellency's Regard to the Prosperity of the Province, and excites our warmest Acknowledgments. The most interesting Object we shall pay all due Attention, as well as to every other useful Regulation, necessary either to ourselves, or be proposed to our Concurrence.

Influenced by the strongest Motives of Duty, from the Consideration of your near Alliance to the Proprietary, and impressed with the deepest Sense of your Excellency's Attention to the Prosperity of Maryland, you may be assured, Sir, that we shall ever exert our most zealous Endeavours, to render your Administration agreeable to his Lordship, yourself, and the People of this Province.

November 20, 1769. CHARLES HAMMOND.

To which his EXCELLENCY was pleased to return the following ANSWER:

Gentlemen of the Upper House of Assembly,

YOUR affectionate Address is a favourable Preface to me of a permanent Happiness in my Government.—If my Endeavours to merit a Continuance of your Affections prove successful, I shall look upon the honourable Trust, which by his Lordship's Favour I now hold, as the most fortunate Circumstance in a Life entirely devoted to the Service of this Province.

ROBERT EDEN.

To his EXCELLENCY ROBERT EDEN, 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,

WE, his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Delegates of the Freemen of Maryland, in General Assembly convened, return your Excellency our sincere Thanks, for your kind and affectionate Speech, at the Opening of this Session. We cordially congratulate you upon your Appointment to succeed your worthy Predecessor, Colonel Sharpe, in the Government of this Province, and upon your safe Arrival with your Lady and Family, to take upon you the Administration. The Honour of this great and important Trust you cannot fail, Sir, of meriting, so long as you consider it your indispensable Duty to promote, on all Occasions, the Prosperity of Maryland; and, while we indulge ourselves with the pleasing Prospect of a mild and equitable Government, permit us to assure your Excellency, that it will ever give us Pleasure, when we can, in any Manner, contribute to make your Administration easy and agreeable to yourself, and honourable to the Lord Proprietary.

Your Desire of accommodating the public Business to our private Affairs, demands our sincere Acknowledgments; and, as the Exigencies of Government have made it necessary to call us together at this Time, we shall with Cheerfulness submit to the Inconveniences arising from a Meeting of Assembly at so late a Season.

Convinced as we are, with your Excellency, that the real Interests of the Lord Proprietary and the People of this Province are inseparable, we venture to hope, that our Conduct, in the Course of the Session, will so manifest our Attachment to the Welfare of our Country, that your Excellency will not be disappointed in the Expectation you are pleased to entertain, being determined to pursue the Business, with that Temper and Moderation, and to cultivate that amicable Intercourse, so essentially necessary to the Attainment of those Benefits which are the Objects of our Meeting.

It gives us great Satisfaction to be assured, in the Message with which his Lordship has honoured us, and which your Excellency was pleased to deliver, of his Willingness to encourage any Plan for the Improvement, or Addition, to the Happiness, of his Province, which, the Relation you bear to his Lordship, and the Sentiments of Friendship and Affection for, and Confidence in you, he is pleased to express, afford us the most agreeable Hope it will be as much in your Power, as we believe it is your Inclination, greatly to promote.

The warm Concern you are pleased, Sir, to express for the Welfare of the rising Generation, and your Assurance that we may rely upon your most cordial Concurrence in every Measure we may propose conducive to the Welfare and Happiness of the Province, have a just Claim to our most sincere Thanks.—And, though we join you in wishing for a well founded Provision for the more liberal Institution of Youth, yet, we hope we shall stand excused in not entering upon a Consideration of that Matter at this Time, when the severe Season of the Year is so nearly approaching.

We receive your Excellency's Assurances as an Earnest of your future Conduct.—We persuade ourselves that by that Test they will be justified; and we cannot but indulge ourselves with the warmest Expectations that you will always have the Happiness to receive, for having acted solely upon the Principles you have been pleased to lay down, the united Thanks and Applause of a grateful People.

November 21, 1769. ROBERT LLOYD, Speaker.

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