

Baron of Baltimore's to our trusty and well Beloved
 the members of our upper and Lower houses of Assembly
 Greeting Whic as by your writs of election bearing date the
 22th day of April last we commanded that you and I'm
 appointed the Sheriffs of our several and respective Counties
 within this Province upon Receipt of the same writs to
 call together the free men of the respective Counties
 one to be of the Quorum with the Clerk of the County Court
 who were by those Writts required to sit in a Court and
 during their sitting the said Sheriffs by virtue of their Office
 to make or cause to be made publick proclamation thereby
 Giving notice to the Freemen of the several Counties who
 had within such Counties freeholds of fifty Acres of Land
 or were residents and had visible estates to the Value of
 Forty pounds. Standing at the least thereby requiring them
 to appear at the several Court Houses at certain days not
 less then ten days after such proclamation made for elect
 and choosing deputies and delegates to serve for the said
 Several Counties in a General Assembly to be holden at
 Annapolis the third Tuesday of July Instant and that
 in Obedience to the same writts the Freemen of this Prov^{ince}
 have accordingly elected and chosen their several Delegates
 and Representatives but because there were no Emergent Af-
 fairs to be laid before the General Assembly that under the
 meeting thereof absolutely necessary at the time mentioned
 in the said Writts and that the Season of the year requires that
 the members that compose the same should attend their own
 private Affairs which might suffer much in their absence
 And that there will be a necessity of their meeting in three
 or four months and because we are willing as much as