

last at Frederick Town in Frederick County, and about to choose Officers, intending to March
 forth in Companies, in order as they expressed themselves to settle the Disputes betwixt the
 two Houses of Assembly in relation to their papers, the Journal, and that such their Pro-
 ceedings were supposed to be wrong to wit Crump's relating, as he lately returned home
 thro' the County, that nothing would be done unless the People did come down; and ha-
 ving been likewise informed, that some of the Justices of this County, who reside near the Judge,
 have been commanded and compelled by a great Number of People, that live in that Neigh-
 bourhood, to come this day to Manassas, in order to learn from the Members for this County,
 what State or Situation the Journal is in, and to send an Express immediately, to acquaint
 the People therewith, that according to the contents of Seneca's such Express a Number of the
 People will, or will not be within Sight of this Place to Morrow or next day, I think it my Du-
 ty to communicate to you the Information I have received, and recommend it to you, to con-
 sider seriously the consequence of large Bodies of People being prompted to come hither on
 such Account, or assembled with a View to intimidate either Branch of the Legislature, or to lay
 them under any Restraint. To the Members of the House of Delegates
 Wm. Sharpe

A Council held at the Council Chamber on Wednesday the 11th
 day of December in the fifteenth Year of his Lordships Dominion
 Anne Queen of Great Britain

Present as yesterday.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Address from the Lower
 House of Assembly.

To His Excellency, Walter Sharpe 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,

In Answer to your Message of last Night, We assure your Excellency, We are very
 sensible of the bad Consequences of large Bodies of People coming hither with a View to intemi-
 date either Branch of the Legislature, or to lay them under any Restraint. We shall there-
 fore, immediately take every Step in our Power to prevent any Measures that may have such Ten-
 dency, to which End, We Pray your Excellency to lay before us the Evidences you have received of
 the coming, or assembling of any Bodies of People with that Intention.

We are very sorry to find such an Imputation on a Member of our House, as that laid on Mr
 Crump, and we yet have hopes your Excellency's Information in that Particular, is without just foun-
 dation, as it appears by our Journals that he has not attended the House since the 22^d of November,
 at which time, We conclude, he left this Place, and when it could not be foreseen that any Difficul-
 ties would arise between the two Houses in relation to the Payment of any Public Claims.

As We should be very far from countenancing in any of our Members a Conduct tending to
 violate the Public Peace and deprive any Branch of the Legislature of that Freedom of Deba-
 ting which is essential to the Liberty of the People.