

The same the petition is rejected *Umine Contradictorie* -
Col: Holland and five more from the Upper house
Deliver Mr Speaker the following Answer of his Excellency
to the Address of this House which was read and ordered
to be Entred as follows Viz -

April 11th 1720 -

Gentlemen of the Lower house

Your Address of this day
is Very Acceptable to me, - for which I return you my best
Thanks -

I look upon it a great felicity that after
many Years residence amongst you as Gov: & I find my
Administration to your Satisfaction, and my power in
of the best and with pleasure I can say, much the Gre
number of his Majesty's Loyal Protestant Subjects here

I must at the same time Acquaint you that I
Intend soon to make the proper use of his Sacred Majesty's
Licence of leave to return for Great Brittain for the Estab
ment of my health and when I shall be ther: permitted
give an Account of my own Conduct, and of the misconduct
in Relation to this Government, I then propose to be a Supp
formy Quietness from my Station, for not think Consistent with
the Character I have hitherto (by the Permission of Providence
and Favour of the Crown) and which I think is

incumbent on me to maintain yet whatever Conditions of
it shall please God to allot me, My Zealous
and Affectionate application to promote the Well fare and
Prosperity of Maryland, shall never be wanting to
Utmost of my Capacity -

P. H. W.