

they demand themselves peacefully and without offence  
We likewise intreat your Lordships if no sinister representation  
from any persons occasioned by their fears rather than facts be  
allowed to make any impressions on your Honors minds in regard  
to your Faithfull Protestants Tenants the Inhabitants of the  
Province of Maryland.

On Behalf of whom we of your Honors Upper and Lower  
Houses of Assembly beg leave to subscribe ourselves,  
Your Lordships Obedient

Signed for order Philip Hammond Esq: Com: Secy

The House adjourns till one o'clock in 4<sup>th</sup> afternoon  
Post Meridie. The house meet according to adjournment  
The address of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly to His  
Excellency being signed by the Members of the upper House was signed  
by the Members of this House & ordered to be entered as follows, viz<sup>t</sup>

May it please Your Excellency,

The Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly being  
sensible of the vast expense your Excellency has been & put to in  
defending us in our happy Establishment ag<sup>t</sup> the attempts of those  
of thought to wound it through our sides by the ties of duty to our  
Country and Gratitude to its Benefactor Obliged to pray Your  
Excellency favourable acceptance of two Hundred pounds Sterling as  
a Reimbursement of such part of what your Excellency has Generously  
sent happily applied for our advantage as the present Circumstances  
of affairs permit us

We assure your Excellency we shall always retain a great  
full sense of the many advantages y<sup>e</sup> have accrued to this  
Province under your Excellency Most prudent Government and  
however Deficient our abilities (may) be our Endeavours will  
never be wanting upon all occasions to approve our selves  
your Excellency Most Obedient humble Servants

Which was sent to the upper House by Col: Maehall Col:  
Hynson, Capt: Maricote Capt: Haisby Mr: Lloyd and Col: Scot  
with the following Message viz<sup>t</sup>

By the Lower House of Assembly May 4<sup>th</sup> 1718

May it please Your Honours,

We herewith send the address signed by the  
Majority of our House w<sup>ch</sup> we desire may be presented to His  
Excellency in the name of both Houses,

Signed for order Mic: Jenifer Esq: Secy

They return and say they delivered them,  
Ordered y<sup>t</sup> Col: Scot & Capt: Maricote go to y<sup>e</sup> upp<sup>r</sup> House and