

by their Books and Entries, to give more Light into that Affair, than any Insight or Information We can expect from any other Way: And therefore, We request Your Excellency will please to direct such Entries, or so much of them as may relate to the Trade of this Province, to be laid before this House; that We may be the better enabled, to give a proper Satisfaction to Your Excellency, in those Points.

WE are obliged to Your Excellency, for Your earnest Recommendation of such prudent and wise Proceedings, as may justify a Report from Your Excellency, which may be Creditable and Useful to this Province. And, as We flatter Our Selves, that We have acted in the Trust reposed in Us, in the best Manner We are able, so, We cannot doubt of Your Excellency's true Affection to this Province, in putting Our Proceedings in such a Light, as may be Pleasing to our Superiors at Home, and Advantageous to the good People here.

AS We are convinced, That the Security of the Blessings, peculiar, and so dear, to the Subjects of *Great Britain*, depend, under GOD, on the present happy Establishment, in Our most gracious Sovereign King GEORGE his August House; so, We beg Leave to assure Your Excellency, That whatever Disadvantages the People of *Maryland* may be under, by their Distance from their Mother Country, We are not inferior to any of His Majesty's Subjects, in Our Zeal and Loyalty to His Royal Person, nor in the Sincerity of Our Wishes and Prayers, for His Reigning long and happily; and that the Sceptre of *Great Britain*, may be ever swaied by One of His Majesty's Royal Descendants: And We hope, and think, that We have always demonstrated, a regardful Duty to Our Lord Proprietary and His Government, becoming faithful Subjects to Our Sovereign, and Lovers of Peace and Order; and that We have not been wanting in Justice and Good Nature in Our Proceedings. And Your Excellency's handsome Exhortation, to persevere in the Discharge of Duties, so necessary in themselves, and so likely to advance the Prosperity of *Maryland*, demands Our most grateful Acknowledgment.

*Sign'd by Order of the House,*

*August 20, 1731.*

JOHN MACKALL, Speaker.

Col. *Gale*, and Mr. *Chamberlain*, are Ordered to go and acquaint the Governor, this House hath prepared an Address to His Excellency, and desireth to know when and where he will receive the same: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker with the Delivery of their Message; and that the Governor would be ready to receive the same at His House immediately.

Col. *Greenfield*, and Twelve more, were Ordered to attend His Excellency with the said Address: They return, and acquaint Mr. Speaker that they delivered the same.

The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning, Eight of the Clock.

*Saturday Morning, August 21, 1731.*

THE House met according to Adjournment. The Members were called, and all were present as Yesterday. The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

*Edmund Fenings*, Esq; from the Committee of Laws, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Bill, Entituled, *An Act to Make and Emit Thirty Six Thousand Pounds Current Money of Maryland, in Bills of Credit; and for Easing the Inhabitants of this Province in the Payment of Debts; and to raise a Fund to sink the said Bills of Credit*: Which Bill was read the first Time, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

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