

his Lordship's Governor and Council they have not been able to gain Transcripts of such Records and Papers, as were necessary to be had before the many great and grievous Complaints of the Country could regularly be laid before his Lordship, or in case of need before his Majesty, yet their extraordinary Diligence and laudable Zeal in this our Common Cause, were not the less Conspicuous :

Therefore this House desires their Honourable Speaker to Return the said Gentlemen the Thanks of the House for their faithful Discharge of the Trust reposed in them.

Which Mr. Speaker from the Chair accordingly did.

Ordered, That the Committee of Laws make a Collection of such Transcripts of Records, and other Papers, as are necessary to be transmitted to *Great-Britain*, and apply to the Clerks of the proper Offices for them.

Inasmuch as the Gentlemen appointed by this House have been refused Copies of Records to be transmitted to *Great-Britain*, and that his Excellency is now pleased to advise, that any Transcripts or Copies may be had during this Session, and on proper Application after Adjournment or Prorogation such Copies may be had as shall be thought needful :

Ordered, That the Committee of Laws prepare an Address to his Excellency, praying that he will be pleased to acquaint this House what Method of Application will be most agreeable to him, in order to obtain the said Transcripts or Copies of Records Authenticated, on Account of the Publick, during the Interval of Assembly, to prevent any further Misunderstanding, Denial of the said Copies or Authenticating the same if required.

On Motion of a Member to have his Excellency the Governor's Speech at the close of the last Convention entred on the Journal of this House, a Copy not having been then delivered to the Speaker :

Ordered, That the same be Entred in the Journal, which was.

The Speech of his Excellency SAMUEL OGLE, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland, to both Houses of Assembly, June the 12th 1739.

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

THe Gentlemen of the Upper House have so fully shewn the Obligation I am under, of doing every Thing in my Power, to continue the many useful Laws which they have mentioned to you, that I have little to add upon that Head; only I cannot help expressing my Surprize at the Resolutions your House seems to have taken, to use your utmost Endeavours