

which, to prevent all Mistakes, they ordered to be communicated to Dr. Carroll and Mr. Denton.

And if none of the abovementioned Letters and Papers are yet printed in the Votes and Proceedings of your House, I hope you will order them to be printed all together, that every Body may see, at one view, all that has passed relating to an Affair, that has been so much talked of.

SAM. OGLE.

*The House Adjourns to 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon.  
Post Meridiem.*

The House met according to Adjournment.

On Motion made, Ordered, that the Committee of Accounts examine into the state of the Accounts of the *Three pence* per Hoghead raised for Arms and Ammunition from the Time the Imposition was first laid, down to this present Time, and that they strike the Balance of each Year separately.

Col. *Hammond*, from the Upper House, delivers Mr. Speaker the Petition of *Charles Sewall* of *St. Mary's* County, Indorsed, *Referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly*, which being here Read, Ordered, That Col. *Hooper*, Mr. *Henry*, Mr. *Gale*, and Mr. *Hynson*, enquire into the Facts therein contained, and make Report to the House.

The following Address to his Excellency was brought in, Read, Approved, and Ordered to be Ingrossed.

To his Excellency SAMUEL OGLE, Esq; Governor of *Maryland*:

*The humble Address of the House of Delegates of the said Province.*

May it please your Excellency,

**WE** are very well pleased to find by your Excellency's Message of the *Thirteenth Instant*, that with the Concurrence of the Council, you have sent for a large quantity of good and serviceable Arms, with a proportionable quantity of Ammunition, not only as we presume the People will be well satisfied to find that the Money raised upon them for that purpose, is properly applied, and that they may thereby be put in a better state of Defence in case of any Danger, but also that their Delegates, when those Arms and Ammunition are Imported, will be the more capable of judging what further may be wanting for the Safety of the Province, and so to make suitable Provision for the same.

We cannot help observing that the Militia Laws now in being give very large Powers to many of the Officers, and therefore we should be unwilling to Consent to any thing that might in any manner Enlarge that Power, unless the Safety of the Country at any particular Juncture require