

certain Lots in the City of Annapolis, in manner and to the uses therein mentioned.

An Act for erecting and laying out a Town, at a Place called Long-Point, on the West Side of North-East River, in Cecil County.

An Act to enable his Excellency Thomas Bladen, Esq; or the Governor for the Time being, to purchase Four Acres of Land within the Fence of the City of Annapolis, for the Use of the Public; and to build thereon a dwelling House, with other Conveniences, for the Residence of the Governor of Maryland, for the Time being, and to repeal part of the Acts therein mentioned.

An Act for Assessment and Payment of the public Charge of this Province.

All which his Excellency Passed into Laws in the usual Manner: And then his Excellency made the following Speech, *viz.*

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly,

THE Temper and Moderation with which the Business has been carried on this Session, must not only do Honour to Yourselves, and immediate Service to the Province; but also convince future Assemblies, that such Dispositions only can answer the Purposes for which they are called, as well as make good the Hopes you have given me of an easy Administration.

Gentlemen of the Lower House,

Your readiness to oblige me personally in severally Instances this Session, is such an Earnest of your good Will, that I cannot take my Leave of you without assuring you of my hearty Thanks and grateful sense of your Behaviour on those Occasions, and that it is with the utmost regret I mention my Disappointment in that Provision for Arms and Ammunition which I conceived myself under a necessity of recommending to you, but I flatter myself with Hopes of satisfying you by a longer experience of my Conduct, and Earnestness for the Happiness and Prosperity of the Province, that I am incapable of desiring any thing which I think inconsistent with it's Welfare.

I cannot but express my Satisfaction of your Treatment of my Message relating to the Indians, and you may rely on my zealous Endeavours in the Disposition of the Public Money for the Honour and Safety of the Province.

As to the Address relating to the Naval Officers, I shall give Directions that they lay before the Gentlemen mentioned in it, the Authorities.