

On reading his Excellency's Message of Yesterday: *Resolved*, That his Excellency be empowered to offer a Reward of Twenty Pounds for apprehending *Gerard Jordan*, junr. the Principal, and Ten Pounds for apprehending *Joseph Broadway*, the Person that was aiding and assisting, in obstructing the Raising the Recruits for his Majesty's Service, in *Saint Mary's County*.

*Ordered*, That the Committee of Laws do prepare, and bring in, an Address to his Excellency, in Answer to his Message.

Doctor *Carroll*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker an Address to his Excellency; which was read, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed.

Col. *Hooper*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following ingrossed Address, *viz.*

To his Excellency HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of MARYLAND.

The humble ADDRESS of the House of DELEGATES.

May it please your Excellency,

IN Answer to your Excellency's Message of the 28th Instant, this House are very willing that your Excellency (in your Proclamation to be published for apprehending the Rioters, in *Saint Mary's County*, who have been guilty of obstructing his Majesty's Levies, and have absconded from Justice), will be pleased to offer a Reward of Twenty Pounds Current Money, to any Person or Persons (Officers excepted) for apprehending and bringing to Justice, *Gerard Jordan*, junr. the Principal Actor therein, and Ten Pounds Current Money for *Joseph Broadway*, the other so absconded, to be paid by the Treasurer of the Western Shore, by your Excellency's Order.

Which was read and assented to, and signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

*Ordered*, That Col. *Hooper* and Mr. *Handy*, do acquaint his Excellency, that this House hath prepared an Address to be presented to him, and desires to know when, and where, he will please to receive it. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that his Excellency was pleased to signify he was ready to receive the Address immediately, in the Conference Chamber.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Key*, and Three more, do present the Address to the Governor.

*Benedict Calvert*, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Petition of *St. John's Parish*, in *Queen Anne's County*, and of that Part of *St. Paul's Parish*, which lies in *Talbot County*; indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, referred to the Consideration of the Lower House of Assembly, which was here read and referred to the Consideration of next Assembly."

Mr. *Tilghman*, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker a Bill intituled, *An Act to prevent the Evils which may arise from the Importation of Irish Convicts, and Convicts from that Part of Great-Britain*