

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,

BY the Report of a Committee of this House hereunto annexed, we find, that the Arms are in bad Order, through the Neglect of the Armourer; wherefore we humbly conceive, that some Other, who would execute his Duty with more Care, should be placed in his Room, that the Arms may be kept in more effectual Order for Service.

As there is now in the Hands of the Treasurers of this Province, Sterling Money for purchasing Arms and Ammunition for Defence of the same, we submit it to your Excellency, Whether at this Time, when the French and their allied Indians, are making Incroachments on our Frontiers, it may not be expedient to send for such Arms and Ammunition for that Money, as may be convenient to send to the Western Limits of this Province in Case of Need.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Hollyday and Mr. Crabb, 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 Col. Harrison, and Three more, do present the Address to the Governor.

Col. Hooper, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker an ingrossed Bill entituled, *An additional Supplementary Act to the Act entituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, &c.* An ingrossed Bill entituled, *An Act to make it Penal to forge or counterfeit the Bills of Credit, &c.* An ingrossed Bill entituled, *An Act for building a Prison in Frederick County.* And, an ingrossed Bill entituled, *An Act to enable the Justices of Saint Mary's County, to levy a Quantity of Tobacco, &c.*

Which Bills were severally read, and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bills thereof, by Doctor Hamilton and Mr. Williamson.

Richard Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill entituled, *An Act empowering the Rector, Vestrymen, and Churchwardens of Port-Tobacco Parish, in Charles County, for the Time being, to purchase a Quantity not exceeding Two Acres of Land, &c.* Indorsed

“By the Upper House of Assembly, May 30, 1754. Read the second Time, and will pass.”

And, the Bill entituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act entituled, An Act for the speedy and effectual Publication of the Laws of this Province, &c.* Indorsed, “By the Upper House of Assembly, May 30, 1754. Read the first and second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass.”

Which Bills were severally read here, and passed for ingrossing.

The House adjourns till 2 of the Clock Afternoon.