

Faction, and the Partiality shew'd them, and of the same Imposition upon your Excellency, have occurred in *Prince George's County*; Two Popish Delinquents, under Prosecution for Crimes of the most dangerous Nature and Tendency to Society, have obtained *Noli Prosequi's*, and are left at Liberty to repeat them. These Instances abovementioned, and the constant and unwearied Application of the Jesuits to proselyte, and consequently to corrupt and alienate, the Affections of our Slaves from us, and to hold them in Readiness to arm at a proper Time for our Destruction, together with every Consideration of Danger from a powerful Foreign Enemy, are Circumstances truly Alarming, and such as we trust will sufficiently justify this Address to your Excellency, whose known Principles of Loyalty and Attachment to the present happy Constitution, in Church and State, are too conspicuous, to leave us room to doubt of your Protection to his Majesty's faithful Protestant Subjects.

Upon the Whole, despairing, after several fruitless Attempts, to gain a Law, for our Security against this Faction, more particularly adapted to our Constitution and Circumstances, we hope we shall not be liable to Censure, if we make Use of those Means of Safety, which Providence and the Care of our Mother Country hath put into our Hands; We therefore humbly pray, that your Excellency would issue your Proclamation, commanding all Magistrates and other Officers duly to execute the Penal Statutes, mentioned in the Statute of the First of *William and Mary*, Chapter the 18th, against the Roman Catholics or Papists, within this Province.

On reading the said Address, the Question was put, Whether the House approves the Address, or Not? *Resolved* in the Affirmative.

For the AFFIRMATIVE,

Messieurs	{	Reeder,	Fitzhugh,	Waggaman,	Govane,	Lloyd,
		Hicks,	Reynolds,	J. Goldborough,	Hyland,	Tilghman,
		Hynson,	J. Mackall,	Edmondson,	Baker,	Bracco,
		Gresham,	B. Mackall,	Edge,	Ward,	Scarborough,
		Wallis,	Stoddert,	Gray,	Addison,	Evans,
		Hammond,	Jordan,	Travers,	Murdock,	Crabb,
		Carroll,	Moore,	Paca,	Frazer,	Chapline,
		Hall,	Handy,	Tolley,	Hawkins,	Beall.
		Gaffaway,				

For the NEGATIVE,

Messieurs Mills, Dennis, C. Goldborough, Bordley, Dulany, J. Henry.

The House adjourns till the morrow Morning at 8 of the Clock.

Friday, July 4, 1755.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

An ingrossed Bill entituled, *An Act to impower Anne Chambers, Widow, to sell and dispose of certain Lands which Samuel Chambers, late of Anne-Arundel County, died possessed of in Fee Simple, for Payment of his Debts*; was read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House, with the Paper Bill thereof, by Major Hall and Mr. Edmondson.

Philip Hammond, Esq; from the Committee of Laws, brings in, and delivers to Mr. Speaker, a Bill entituled, *An Act continuing an Act entituled, A Supplementary Act to an Act entituled, An Act for issuing and taking*
June Session, 1755. F out