

**HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor.** 25

On Motion, the Question was put, Whether the Tax mentioned in the Report, by the Committee of Ways and Means, to be laid on Marriage-Licences, shall be altered, or Not? *Resolved* in the Negative.

For the **NEGATIVE**,

{	Messrs	Reeder,	Hammond,	Stoddert,	Smith,	Bracco,
		Mills,	Gaffaway,	Gray,	Ward,	Scarborough,
		Hynson,	Carroll,	Tolley,	Frafer,	Evans,
		Williamson,	Smallwood,	Govane,	Hawkins,	Beall.
		Wallis,				

For the **AFFIRMATIVE**.

{	Messrs	Hall,	Jordan,	Edge,	Earle,	Dulaay,
		Fitzhugh,	Dennis,	C. Goldborough,	Murdock,	Lloyd,
		B. Mackall,	M. Tilghman,			

*The House adjourns until the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.*

**WEDNESDAY MORNING, March 17, 1756.**

**T**HE House met according to Adjournment, &c. All the Members appeared as Yesterday, except Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. John Reeder appeared in the House.

Col. Addison, from the Committee appointed to inspect the Arms and Ammunition, &c. brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Report, which was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

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,*

**A**S, in these Times of Public Calamity, when our utmost Efforts are no more than necessary for his Majesty's Service and our Defence against our Enemies, a thorough Knowledge of the State of our Commerce seems highly expedient, to guide us in our Deliberations about Ways and Means of raising Money for those important Purposes; we humbly request your Excellency to order the proper Officers to lay before us, with the greatest Dispatch they conveniently can, Accounts of the Imports and Exports of every Kind, agreeable to the Reports made to them, for Five Years past, ending at the First Day of *January* last; and should it be inconvenient to them to render such Accounts this present Session, we desire they may be directed to prepare them against the next Meeting of the Assembly.

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

*Ordered*, That Col. Fitzhugh and Capt. Jordan 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 the Governor was pleased to signify he would receive the Address immediately in the Conference Chamber.

*Ordered*, That Capt. Stoddert and Mr. Mills do present the Address to his Excellency.

*The House adjourns till II of the Clock Afternoon.*

*Post-Meridiem.* The House met according to Adjournment, &c.

*The House adjourns till the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.*

**THURSDAY MORNING, March 18, 1756.**

**T**HE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

Mr. Caffon appeared in the House.

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