

For the AFFIRMATIVE,

Messrs	{	T. Reeder,	Wallis,	Edmondson,	Murdock,	Lloyd,
		Hynson,	Carroll,	Earle,	Frazer,	E. Tilghman.
		Williamson,	J. Goldborough,	Ward,		

On Motion. That an Address be prepared to his Excellency, relative to his Instructions given to the Colonels of the several Counties of this Province, for enlisting of Men for his Majesty's Service, *Resolved*, that an Address be prepared accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Carroll, Col. Tilghman, and Mr. Matthew Tilghman, do prepare and bring in such Address.

A Motion, for Leave to bring in a Bill, *For his Majesty's Service, and for the better Defence of this Province*, was granted.

Ordered, That Mr. Hammond, Mr. Murdock, Mr. Carroll, Col. Edward Tilghman, and Mr. Matthew Tilghman, do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

The House adjourns until II of the Clock Afternoon.

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

Mr. Mills appeared in the House.

Col. Tilghman, from the Committee appointed for that Purpose, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker an Address to his Excellency, which, on the Question put, That the said Address be Approved, was Resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Carroll brings in and 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,

YOUR ready Compliance with the Lord Loudoun's Requisition, to levy a Number of Men in this Colony with the utmost Expedition, for the Regiment which his Majesty has graciously ordered to be raised in *America*, for the Defence of the Colonies, cannot but meet our Approbation: And it is with extreme Reluctance we comply with what we think our indispensable Duty in observing, That that Part of your Excellency's Recruiting Instructions which directs, That "as soon as possible, after any Person shall be enlisted, he is to be taken before a Magistrate and qualified," is, we apprehend, not agreeable to the Act of Parliament, *For the better Recruiting his Majesty's Forces on the Continent of America*, &c which directs, "That when and as often as any Person or Persons shall be enlisted as a Soldier or Soldiers in his Majesty's Land Forces on the Continent of *America*, he and they shall, within the Space of Four Days, but not sooner than Twenty-four Hours after such enlisting, be carried before the next Justice of the Peace," &c. And might, if closely adhered to, be attended with great Inconveniencies to many of the good People of this Province; though, at the same Time, we should think ourselves inexcusable, if we did not acknowledge, that we look upon that Instruction as purely an Effect of your Excellency's earnest Zeal for his Majesty's service, and warm Concern for the *British* Interest in *America*.

Which was Read and Assented to, and signed, by Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker.

Ordered, That Mr. Lloyd and Col. Scarborough 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 Mr. Mills, and Three more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

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

SATURDAY MORNING, September 18, 1756.

THE House met according to Adjournment: All the Members appeared as Yesterday, except Capt. Gage.

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