

“ must desire you to inform me what Bills you have Framed, or what Determination you have come to on
“ the Matters that I recommended to your Consideration at the Opening of this Session. If you are dispo-
“ sed to comply with the Earl of Loudoun's Request, be pleased to fall on some Measures for supplying me
“ with Levy-Money, till such a Bill as I have recommended to you to Frame can be prepared; or if you
“ are (contrary to my Expectations) determined to pay no Regard to the Earl of Loudoun's Requisition, you
“ would oblige me by informing me thereof, that I may know what I have to depend on, and, according
“ to my Promise, acquaint his Lordship with your Resolution.

“ September 24, 1756.

HOR^o. SHARPE.”

Major Hyland, from the Committee appointed to inspect the Arms and Ammunition, and Accounts relating thereto, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a Report; which was Read, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

The House adjourns till II of the Clock Afternoon.

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

Capt. Crabb appeared in the House.

On Motion, That an Address be prepared to his Excellency, in Answer to his Message of this Day: Ordered, That Mr. Matthew Tilghman, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Murdock, do prepare and bring in such Address.

Mr. Carroll brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker an Address to his Excellency, which was Read, Approved, and Ordered to be ingrossed.

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,

IN Answer to your Message of this Day, we must observe, that had you been pleased to have given a full Answer to our Address of the 18th of this Instant, wherein we informed you we had come to a Determination on the Matters recommended by your Excellency in your Speech at the Opening of this Session, and earnestly requested you would be pleased to communicate to us whatever you thought proper to be recommended to our Consideration at this Meeting, your Hopes might have been fully answered, and an Act passed for appropriating Part of the Forty Thousand Pounds, lately granted for his Majesty's Service, to defray the Expence of raising a Number of Men for the *Royal American Regiment*, and to the Defence and Security of this Province. But we are sorry to find ourselves under the disagreeable Necessity of acquainting your Excellency, that the Delay has altogether proceeded from our being disappointed in what we had so good Foundation to hope for, from your Promise in the last Paragraph in the same Speech; and we must inform your Excellency, that we were so firmly Resolved to manifest our Zeal for his Majesty's Service, by a ready Compliance with the Earl of Loudoun's Requisition, that a Bill for that Purpose, and the Defence and Security of our Western Frontier, has been in great Forwardness for some Days, and we now only wait your Excellency's Answer to our Address presented this Day, to enable us entirely to complete it; and as we hope it will be passed into a Law with the greatest Expedition, we think it irregular to fall on any other Measure for supplying the Levy-Money desired by your Excellency. We cannot conclude without assuring you, that we are so far from being determined to pay no Regard to the Earl of Loudoun's Requisition, that we shall constantly endeavour to treat whatever comes from his Lordship with the greatest Regard; and that we hope we shall never disappoint your Excellency in any reasonable Expectation from, or Dependence on, this House.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Thomas Reeder and Mr. Casson 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. Matthew Tilghman, and Three more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

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