

... of the Orphan and Heir at Law of the said Talbot Risteau, Deceased. All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House. Signed per Order, Wm. Wilkins, Clerk.

On Reading the said Report, the House Concurr therewith; and Ordered, That Leave be given to the said *Stanna Risteau* to bring in a Bill according to Prayer.

The House adjourns until II of the Clock Afternoon.

*P. P. Meridien.* The House met according to Adjournment.

Mr. B. Mackall, Mr. Tilien, Mr. Earle, and Mr. Waggaman, appeared in the House.

Mr. Mattiere Tilghman 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.

Most illustrious your EXCELLENCY,

THE Concern we are under for the Distresses of our Frontier People, induces us to lay before you a Report from our Committee appointed to enquire into the Conduct and Behaviour of the Troops which have been Raised and Supported for their Protection, with Copies of the Depositions thereto annexed, from which we are persuaded it will appear to your Excellency, that those Troops have not only neglected to Perform the Service to which they were destined, but have committed many Abuses to the great Disquiet and Oppression of those unhappy People.

We must therefore intreat your Excellency to cause the Laws to be put in Execution against all Persons who have been Guilty of those Neglects and Abuses, and to take such other Measures as may most effectually prevent them for the future.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Carroll and Mr. Dent 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 be ready to receive the Address in half an Hour's Time in the Conference Chamber.

Ordered, That Mr. B. Mackall, with Three more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

A Petition of sundry Freeholders and Inhabitants of Chester-Town and George-Town, and Others, within the County of Kent, was Read: And

On Motion, the Question was put, Whether the following Question, viz, "That 2000*l.* part of the ... now expended for the Rewards for Scalps and Prisoners, be appropriated to the Defraying the ... of Quartering those of his Majesty's Forces that now are, or may be, sent into this Province, to be Quartered this Winter," shall be now put, or Not? Resolved in the Negative.

For the NEGATIVE,

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| Members     | { Plater,        | E. Gantt, | M. Tilghman, | T. Gantt,    | Sudler,      |
|             | { Sedgwick,      | Hanson,   | Lecompte,    | King,        | Scarborough, |
|             | { Hammond,       | Lee,      | Cockey Deye, | Lloyd,       | Chapline,    |
|             | { B. Mackall,    | Dent,     | Owings,      | E. Tilghman, | E. Dorsey,   |
|             | { J. J. Mackall, | Stoddert, | Earle,       | Bracco,      | Beatty.      |
| { Reynolds, | Wilson,          | Frazer,   |              |              |              |

For the AFFIRMATIVE,

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| Members | { Key,        | Gaffaway,    | Edmondson, | Baker,    | Murdock, |
|         | { Williamson, | Carroll,     | Oldham,    | Dulany,   | Henry,   |
|         | { Hynson,     | Worthington, | Sullivan,  | Woodward, | Harris.  |
|         | { Tilden,     | Waggaman,    | Govane,    |           |          |

Mr. Oldham, Mr. Stoddert, Mr. Sullivan, and Col. Henry, have Leave to go Home.

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

TUESDAY, December 6, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment: The Members were called, and all appeared as Yesterday except Mr. Oldham. The Proceedings were Read.

Mr. Ward