

At a CONFERENCE of the MEMBERS of both HOUSES of ASSEMBLY, the 9th Day of
December, 1757.

P R E S E N T,

The Honourable Col. EDWARD LLOYD,
and
Colonel BENJAMIN TASKER, junior, } of the Upper House.

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EDWARD TILGHMAN,
ROBERT LLOYD,
MATTHEW TILGHMAN,
WALTER DULANY,
CHARLES CARROLL,
and
EDWARD DORSEY, Esquires, } of the Lower House.

Who then Chose Col. EDWARD LLOYD, Chairman; and *Thomas Johnson*, junior, Clerk.

AGREED, That a Petition to the King be prepared, and also a Representation to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, on the Subject Matter of this Conference.

After several Meetings, the Conferees agreed upon the Terms of the Petition to his Majesty, and Representation to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations.

And in Consequence of the Orders of the respective Houses, also agree on the Forms of an Address to request his Lordship our Lord Proprietary, to present that Petition to his Majesty, and lay the Representation before the Lords Commissioners; and likewise of an Address to his Excellency the Governor, desiring him to transmit them to his Lordship.

All which, it is agreed, shall be laid before the respective Houses.

Signed per Order,

Thomas Johnson, junior, Clerk.

Which said Report was Read, and the House Concurrs therewith.

On Motion, *Ordered*, That an Address be prepared to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, to request that his Lordship will present the Petition to the King, and the Representation to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, prepared by both Houses of Assembly; and likewise an Address to the Governor, to request him to transmit to the Lord Proprietary the Petition to his Majesty, the Representation to the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, and the Address to the Lord Proprietary, with all convenient Speed: And, That the Conferees appointed by this House to join with the Conferees of the Upper House, do prepare and bring in such Addresses.

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

T U E S D A Y, December 13, 1757.

THE House met according to Adjournment, &c.

On Motion, *Ordered*, That a Message be prepared to be sent to the Upper House, with the Bill, entitled, *An Act for Billeting and Quartering his Majesty's Forces within this Province*, which was sent from the Upper House, and there prepared.

On Motion, the Question was put, Whether the following Clause, *viz.* [Be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That as often as any of his Majesty's Forces shall come into the City of *Annapolis*, or to any Town or Place, within this Province, for Winter Quarters, it shall and may be lawful for the Mayor, Recorder, or any Two of the Aldermen of the said City, and any Two Justices of the Peace of the County, in which such Town or Place shall lie, to Quarter and billet the Officers and Soldiers on the Inns, Ordinaries, Victualling-Houses, or Ale-Houses, that shall be in the said City, Town or Place; and in Case there shall not be a sufficient Number of such Houses in the said City, or in the Town or Place whereunto such Forces shall come for Winter Quarters, conveniently to accommodate such Officers and Soldiers, then and in that Case, the said Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, or Justices, shall and may Billet them, in equal Proportion, on or at the Charge of such private Houses, as they, in their Discretion, shall see fit, and judge most convenient for that Purpose,] shall be inserted in the Message to be sent to the Upper House, or Not? *Resolved* in the Affirmative.

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