surance you have been pleased to give General Forbes of their good Inclinations to promote his Majesty's Service in the Expedition he was about to undertake; and tho' unhappily the Houses of Assembly have heretofore differed in Opinion on the Mode of raising the necessary Supplies, we rejoice to find your Excellency now expressing Hopes, that the like Difference may not happen at this or any future Session.

We shall immediately take under our Consideration, the Matters recommended to us by your Excellency's Speech, and the General's Letter; and shall give his Majesty's Service in general, and the Defence and Protection of this Province in particular, the first Place in our Determinations; and we cannot but entertain the warmest Hopes, that our Resolutions thereupon will demonstrate, that notwithstanding any ill Opinion, Strangers to the real Principles of the People of this Province may have entertained, his Majesty has not, in any of his Dominions, Subjects more loyal or more dutiful than are much the greatest Part of the People of Maryland; whose constant Wishes and Endeavours to promote his Majesty's Service, have, on every Occasion, been manisested by the Public Actions, as well as Professions of those, to whom their Lives, Liberties and Properties, have been repeatedly entrusted.

Which was Read and Affented to, and Signed, per Order of the House, by the Honourable Speaker. Ordered, That Mr. Carroll and Mr. Beall 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 fignified he would receive the Address at Four of the Clock Afternoon, in the Conference Chamber.

The House adjourns till II of the Clock.

Post Meridiem. The House met according to Adjournment.

Ordered, That Col. Tilghman, with Five more, do present the Address to his Excellency.

The House Adjourns till the Morrow Morning at IX of the Clock.

FRIDAY, October 27, 1758.

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

On Motion, Rejolved, That this House will, on the Morrow Morning, at the Sitting of the House, take into Confideration the Subject Matter contained in his Excellency's Speech at the Opening of this Session, together with General Forbes's Letter to his Excellency.

Mr. Charles Goldsborough, a Delegate of Dorchester County, returned to serve in this General Assembly,

appeared in the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Sulivane and Mr. Edmondson do go with that Gentleman to the Upper House, to see him Qualified. They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, that they faw him Qualified in the usual Manner. The Gentleman took his Seat in the House.

The House adjourns till II of the Clock.

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

Mr. John Goldsborough, from the Committee of Elections and Privileges, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker, the following Report, viz.

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES, October 27, 1758.

YOUR Committee having inspected the several Writs for Electing Deputies, Delegates and Citizens, to serve in this General Assembly, do find,

That Messieurs Edmund Key, Henry Greensield Sothoron, George Plater, and Thomas Greensield, Delegates of

Saint Mary's County, are duly Returned.

That Messieurs Arthur Lee, John Hanson, John Trueman Stoddert, and George Dent, Delegates of Charles County, are duly Returned.

That Messieurs Benjamin Mackall, junior, James John Mackall, William Fitzbugh, and Edward Gantt,

Delegates of Calwert County, are duly Returned. That Meineurs William Murdock, George Fraser, Francis King, and Josias Beall, junior, Delegates of

Prince-George's County, are duly Returned. That Metheurs Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, Philip Hammond, Charles Carroll, and John Gassaway, Delegates of Anne-Arundel County, are duly Returned.

That