

Which Address was read the First Time, and ordered to lie on the Table.
 ORDERED, That the same be read a Second Time, and it was read accordingly; and the
 Question was put, that the following Paragraph be struck out of the said Address, viz. "How
 justly his Predecessor, Mr. *Sharpe*, may have entitled himself to your Lordship's grateful Ack-
 nowledgments for his many Years faithful Service to you, is with your Lordship; though a
 Retrospection upon the Proceedings of this House will not permit us to say, that Mr. *Sharpe*
 always paid a due Regard to the Interest of the Province; yet we must acknowledge it is our
 Opinion, that his own Inclination led him very much towards that desirable Object." Re-
 solved in the Negative.

		F O R t h e N E G A T I V E.				
{	Messrs	W. Thomas,	Griffith,	Ware,	M. Tilghman,	Tyler,
		Buchanan,	Mackall,	Harrison,	N. Thomas,	Contee,
		Kinggold,	Gantt,	Hayward,	Noel,	E. Tilghman,
		Worthington,	Grahame,	Dickinson,	Beall,	Hollyday,
		Johnson,				

		F O R t h e A F F I R M A T I V E.				
{	Mess.	Eden,	Baxter,	Wright,	Heugh,	Wootton,
		Gresham,	Hall,	Luckett,		

The Address approved of, and ordered to be engrossed.
George Stewart, Esq; from the Upper House, delivered to Mr. Speaker, the Paper-Bills, en-
 titled, *An Additional Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act to prevent the Abuses of concealing
 convicted Felons, and other Offenders, imported into this Province, and for the better Discovery of them.*
 And, *An Act for preventing the Evil occasioned by the Continuance of Suits at Law on Suggestion of
 Want of Evidence from the beyond the Sea;* endorsed: "By the Upper House of Assembly, Dec.
 20, 1769. The engrossed Bill, whereof this is the Original, read and assented to."
 Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. U. Ho."

Mr. *Ringgold* brought in, and delivered to Mr. Speaker, the following Address:

T O H I S E X C E L L E N C Y
R O B E R T E D E N, E S Q U I R E,
 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,

WE have prepared an Address to our Lord Proprietor, in Answer to his Message, commu-
 nicated to this House by your Excellency, at the Opening of this Session, which we
 herewith send you, and request you will be pleased to take the First Opportunity of transmitting
 it to his Lordship

Which was read, approved of, and ordered to be engrossed.
 The engrossed Address to Lord *Baltimore* brought in, which was read and assented to, and
 signed by Order of the House, by the honourable Speaker.
 The engrossed Address to his Excellency brought in, which was read and assented to, and
 signed by Order of the House by the honourable Speaker.

Mr. *Ringgold* brought in, and delivered to Mr. Speaker, the following Address:

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R O B E R T E D E N, E S Q U I R E,
 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,

BY an Account from the Treasurer of the Western Shore, (a Copy of which is herewith laid
 before your Excellency) it appears that the Money arising by Ordinary-Keeper, and Haw-
 kers, and Pedlers Licenses, has not been paid in as Law requires, and that there is remaining
 in the Hands of *George Scott*, late Sheriff of *Frederick County*, One Hundred and Sixty Pounds,
 received by him in Seventeen Hundred and Sixty-eight; and of *Charles Somerset Smith*, late
 Sheriff of *Charles County*, Forty Pounds, received by him in Seventeen Hundred and Sixty-eight.
 And we apprehend there are also very considerable Sums in the Hands of the Sheriffs of *St.*
Mary's