

Maryland ss:

Journall of the Councill in Assembly

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Whereas the Gen^l Assembly of this Province (by Severall adjournm^{ts} and Prorogations) stood prorogued untill the second day of Octob^r instant, being by Proclamation (bearing Date the 19th day of August last past) appointed to meet at the port of Annapolis to do and Consent unto such things as by the favour of God should then and there happen to be Ordained for the Glory of God his Ma^{ty} Service and the good of the Countrey, But it so falling out that (through Stress of weather) neither the Gentlemen of his Ma^{ty} Hon^{ble} Councill nor a Sufficient number of the members of the worshipfull the house of Burgesses could meet to sit according to Prorogation, on that day his Ex^{coy} was thereupon pleased to Order his Ma^{ty} Writt to issue for the further prorogueing the s^d Assembly untill the next day after the which was accordingly issued and sent unto the house of Delegates and Burgesses, the tenor whereof follows in these words, Viz^t

William the third by the Grace of God of England, Scotland France, and Ireland King Defend^r of the ffaith &^{ca} To our Councillors the Delegates & Representatives of the severall Counties of our Province of Maryland, Greeting Whereas upon the 22th day of May last past, Wee thought fit to prorogue you untill the tenth day of Septemb^r last, yet upon further consideration We thought fit and expedient for the good and welfare of this province and the good people thereof (by our Proclamation bearing date the 19th day of August last) further to prorogue you untill the 2^d of Octob^r instant, at which time We Commanded the sev^rall and respective Sherriffs of the severall Counties of our s^d Province to give notice to all and every of you that you should Convene yo^rselves together at the Port of Annapolis upon the s^d day last mentioned, then & there to do and Consent to such things as should by the favour of Almighty God happen to be done and Enacted for the good and welfare of this province, Now Know Yee th^t for severall weighty reasons us thereunto moving, We have thought fit and do by these presents further prorogue you Untill the day after the date hereof; at which