

Maryland ss^t

Att a Session of Assembly held at the Towne and Porte
of Annapolis in Anne Arundell County the 2^d Day of Aprill
in the 5th year of her Ma^{ty}s Raigne &c
Annoq D^m 1706

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Prsent in Councill

His Ex^{lly} John Seymour Esq^r Cap^t Gen^l and Governour in
Chiefe in and over this her Ma^{ty}s Province &c.

The hon^{ble} { Thomas Brooke Esq^r } Col Francis Jenkins
 { Robert Smith Esq^r } Col Edw^d Lloyd
 { Col J^{no} Hamond } James Sanders Esq^r
 & Col Thomas Ennalls of her Ma^{ty}s Councill.

Came M^r Joseph Hill & M^r James Hays from the House of
Delegates and acquainte his Ex^{ncy} that theire House was mett
according to her Ma^{ty}s Prorogation

His Ex^{ncy} Says He will Send for them and acquainte them
with what he has to lay before them

Then his Ex^{ncy} advised with the Boarde of what he pro-
posed to say to the Gen^l Assembly at the opening of this
Sessions, and the same being reduced into writing and read
was approved of by the whole Boarde

After which Colonel Hamond was ordered to go downe to
the House and Comānd the Speaker and the Members
to attend his Ex^{ncy} in Council Mr Speaker and the Members
of the House of Delegates being come up, and admitted into
the Councill Roome His Ex^{ncy} was pleased thus to bespeake
them. p. 2

M^r Speaker & You Gentⁿ Delegates.

Since our Meeting now, is by her Ma^{ty}s especial Comānd, I
doubt not but the greate good things So earnestly recomended
to your Serious Consideration for the good and Wellfare of
this Province will be unanimously approved of and assented
to by You it's Rep^tentatives; That what her Sacred Ma^{tye}
has so wisely & graciously concerted for your future happi-
ness & grandeur may enrich You and Succeeding Generations.

Gentⁿ

Noe Monarch that ever Swayed the English Scepter has
had a more tender regard for all her Subjects than her pres-
ent Ma^{tye} and though She has been engaged in a great