

us: Permit us to express the great concern we are under at the Apprehension of being shortly deprived of a Ruler, who has proved himself a strict observer of every relative duty, and a Steady Friend to constitutional Liberty.

Sam^l Abell foreman of the
Grand Jury

Barn. House
Jeremiah Jordan
John Black
Th^s Greenfield
Tho^s Bond

November the 17th 1768

To His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor of
Maryland

The Address of the Justices of the Peace and Grand Jury
for Kent County.

We his Majestys dutifull and loyall Subjects The Justices of the Peace and Grand Jury for the County of Kent beg Leave to express to your Excellency the unfeigned Sorrow and Regret we feel an perceive by the Publick Papers that the Time of your Excellencys continuing as Governor over us is limited to a short space.

Truly sensible that during your Excellencys Residence here The Kings Prerogative His Lordships Rights and the Liberty of the People have been equally your Care that by your prudent Just and Mild Administration the Laws of the Land have had their full Force, and the Courts of Justice remained unimpeached; and that at severall different Periods when it required much Skill and Judgment to direct the Political Helm, Affairs were so wisely and prudently Conducted by your Excellency, that the People of this Province found themselves under fewer Embarassments, than those of other Places. Permit us therefore Sir to declare the Concern we feel at the Apprehension of losing a Governor and Chancellor whose Conduct in those important Stations has given universal satisfaction. The open polite and free benignity of Disposition so naturall to your Excellency has rendered all Address to you easy. We hope Sir for a long continuance of your presence among us, that yourself and