

U. H. J. William Turbutt & James Lloyd brought up an Engrost bill Impowering a Comittee to lay Assess and apportion the Publick Levy for this present year 1717 Assented to by the lower house. Read and Assented to by this house

The following Address being prepared is signed by the Members of the uper house of Assembly as follows Viz.

To the Right honourable Charles  
Absolute Lord and Propry of  
the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon  
Lord Baron of Baltimore. And To  
Francis Lord Guilford his  
Lordships Noble Guardian

The humble Address of your Lordships  
Uper house of Assembly

My Lords:

It was with the greatest Satisfaction Imaginable that we fell upon the Consideration of your Ldships kind Speech to both houses of Assembly wherein you were pleased to Express  
p. 74 your Zealous Inclinations for advancing the Welfare & Prosperity of this your Province of Maryland And at the same time Promise that the Comon good thereof shoud be inseperable from your Lordships own Interest.

We must acknowledge ourselves most Sensibly touched with the Greatness of your Lordships Considerations putting us upon an Establishment that is Intirely Protestant whereby the very Grounds and motives of those Jealousies which of late made your Lordships Protestant Tenants very uneasie are Effectually removed and room made for the truly Charitable and Christian Spiritt of the Church of England to shew how Indulgent she is to the professors of the Romish Religion altho at the same time she knows them to be her Irreconcilable Enemies nor can any thing be wanting to the Security of the Papists here, whilst they demean themselves as good Subjects to our King forbearing & discountenancing all evil practices that may render them Obnoxious to the Government.

We heartily thank your Lordships for Comending our Zeal & Loyalty for his Majesty's Sacred pson and the Succession in the Illustrious house of Hannover for your approbation thereof manifestly discovers that we have happily fallen in with your Lordships Sentiments that Religion Liberty and Property are only secured to true English men by the blessing of Providence which already hath And as we hope always will protectt our glorious monarch King George And the Royal