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Wednesday morning May 4th 1737

The House met according to Adjournment &c^a

Richard Francis Esq^r Delivers M^r Speaker the following Address which was read Approved and ordered to be Ingrossed

To His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governour of Maryland

The Humble Address of the Lower House of Assembly

May it Please your Excellency.

We the Representatives of His Lordships Dutifull Tenants have Received Divers Complaints of Exactions and Oppressions Committed by some of the Farmers and their receivers of his Lopps Quit Rents by their undervaluing foreign Coins as well Silver as Gold, as also by their receiving the said Coins at Various rates in the Severall Counties; and as we are very greatly Sensible of His Lopps Declared Intentions of making the Collection of His rents not only not Oppressive, but easy to his good Tenants and of your Excys Constant Disposition to Discountenance any measures which may be or seem Injurious to the Properties of the People of Maryland

We Therefore Presume Humbly to Entreat your Excy to give Derectio to the proper Officers to lay before this House the Instructions His Lordship hath been pleased to give Concerning the Value of such foreign Coins in order that this House may Judge whether such Complaints are Justly made and in Hopes, In Case such Exactions should be fully proved some Method by your Excys Kind Interposition may be found out To prevent the same for the future.

A Bill Entituled an Act for the Relief of William Torver of London Merchant was read the first time and ordered to Lye on the Table

Michael Howard Esq^r from the Up^r House Delivers M^r Speaker a p^etion of the Vestry of Queen Ann Parish in Prince Georges County recommended by the Up^r House which was here read and Granted.

Cot Hooper and Captⁿ Woolford two representatives of Dorchester County appeared In the House this morning.

The Address to His Excellency was brought in Ingrossed.

M^r Matthews and M^r Denton Sent to Acquaint his Excy This House hath prepared an Address to His Excy and Desires to Know when and where he will receive it they Return and acquaint M^r Speaker the Governour will be ready to receive it Immediately in the Conference Chamber.

M^r Smith and 11 more sent to present the Address to the Governour

The House Adjourned untill 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon