

their Applications to his Majesty for redress in this and other Ag- U. H. J.
grievances they labour under

Signed on behalf & by Order by the House

[July 28, 1740]

Philip Hammond, Speaker

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly

Upon the most careful Perusall of your Address delivered to me yesterday by M^r Calder, I must confess I could find little or no Answer in it to what I offered to Your Consideration in my Message of the 26th Instant, as every impartial man must see, upon reading over the said Message and this Address of Yours in Answer to it

You indeed say "that you cannot agree that the Charge in your Message of the 9th of June 1739 of the £2500 Sterling being unaccounted for was groundless, since from all that the Gentlemen of the Upper House have yet been able to do, towards making out the regular Application of that money, you still remain as much unsatisfied as to a great part of it as you were of the whole at the time of that Message" but you do not say what that great part may be that you are still unsatisfied in, for my own part after the most careful Examination into the matter I cannot find the Sum of 2500 Farthings unaccounted for but as I intend to Order all the Accounts of the 3^d p hhd to be published for the Satisfaction of all Persons, I shall not enlarge any further upon that matter here

You are likewise pleased to say of the Gentlemen of the Upper House, "that a majority of them hold Places of Profit and Trust, at Will, and that the Income of those places greatly exceeds that of all their private Estates" but what Grounds you have for so saying, I must confess my self wholly at a Loss to know, you may perhaps have a better Account of the Income of those Gentlemens Estates as well as of the Profit of their Places then I can pretend to, but by all that I can learn, I believe the Fact to be far otherwise than you represent it, and that the profit of the said Places is only a moderate Recompence to Gentlemen of their Fortunes, for neglecting their own Affairs for the Service of their Country, as I believe every Gentleman of your House will acknowledge, whose Turn it may happen to be, to enjoy any of the said Places

I wish with all my heart we could finish the Session to the mutual Satisfaction of all Parties by passing every Law that might be Agreeable to the several Branches of the Legislature, but if that cannot be effected, nothing remains for me to do, but to dismiss you, whenever you acquaint me that no Business lies before you.

29 July 1740

Sam: Ogle

To his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor of Maryland

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The humble Address of the House of Delegates of the said Province