

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
UPPER HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

At a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday 4th Day of October in the 13th. Year of his Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1763

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Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq.^r Governor

The honble	{	Benjamin Tasker Esq. ^r Daniel Dulany Esq. ^r Stephen Bordley Esq. ^r	}	John Ridout Esq. ^r Charls Goldsborough Esq. ^r
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Doct.^r George Steuart & Rob.^t Lloyd acquaint his Excellency that there are a Sufficient Number of Members met to make a House and wait his Excellency's Commands

Stephen Bordley and John Ridout Esquires are sent to acquaint the Lower House that His Excellency requires their attendance in the Upper House immediately.

The Lower House attend and His Excellency is pleased to make the following Speech

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower House of Assembly

The unexampled Successes with which his Majesty's vigorous Measures were Blessed, during the Course of the late War, having Since I had last an Opportunity of Addressing myself to you in your Legislative Capacity, enabled Him to restore Peace to his People, on Terms of Glory and great Advantage; Terms particularly calculated for the future Security and Prosperity of these Colonies, I cannot open this Session without Congratulating you on that happy Event, as Well as on the auspicious Birth of a Prince of Wales, under Whom your Posterity may enjoy the innumerable Blessings, We, in common, with the Rest of His Majesty's Subjects, at this Period, derive from the propitious Reign of the Best of Sovereigns.

I have been induced, Gentlemen, to convene you at this Time, by an Opinion that you would be glad to have an Opportunity, before the Expiration of our Inspection Law, of Considering what farther Amendments to that Act it might be expedient to make for the better Advancement of our Staple, and by what other Means, consistent with the Laws of Great Britain, the Whole Trade of this Province might be Encouraged and Promoted, You will also, I presume,