

L. H. J. therein your Excellency will Order the several Naval Officers to make Copies of the Orders by which they receive the same Duties and of the Amount of the same respectively for two Years, past, signifying under or by what Laws they receive the Duties aforesaid and such Copies and Accounts Prove on their Corporal Oaths respectively before some Provincial Justice and such Proofs Authenticate under the Great Seal of this Province, and Order the same to be delivered to the Honourable Speaker, M^r James Calder, M^r Philip Hammond, Doctor Charles Carroll, M^r Henry Hall, M^r Thomas Worthington, M^r John Magruder, M^r Turnor Wootton and M^r Osborn Sprigg or any two or three of them applying for the same who are by this House Authorized to transmit the same to the Agent employed by this House in Great Britain

M^r Wootton and M^r John Goldsborough sent to acquaint his Excellency therewith and to desire to know when and where he will be pleased to receive it they return and acquaint M^r Speaker the Governor will be ready in an Hours time to receive it in the Conference Chamber

An Address to his Excellency the Governor was brought in Read Approved & Ordered to be Ingrossed viz.

To his Excellency Thomas Bladen Esquire Governor of Maryland

The humble Address of the Delegates of the said Province
May it please your Excellency

In Answer to your Message to both Houses of Assembly of the
p. 374 24th Instant sent to us by the Upper House and by many Letters and Papers communicated to Us by your Excellency We presume the uneasiness of the Six Nations of Indians proceeds from a Claim they pretend to have to some Land in this Province for which they peremptorily demand Satisfaction to be made them and that the necessity of entering into any Treaty with them at this time arises from the Claim and Demand aforesaid

The People of Maryland have paid the Proprietary Family and now continue to pay his present Lordship very high Rates and Rents for the Lands they purchase and hold Wherefore We think his Lordship should be at the Charge arising on that Claim and likewise of any Satisfaction to be made the said Indians thereon

However to demonstrate our good inclination for keeping up a Peace and Friendship with those Nations, and in Compliance with your Desire We have appointed Col^o Robert King and Doctor Charles Carroll of this House to join with any Gentlemen of the Upper House who shall be appointed to Negotiate that Affair

We have likewise agreed that A Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds Sterling be applied out of the Money now in Bank arising by the three pence p hhd for Arms and Ammunition towards the purchase of such Goods as may best Suit for a Present to the