

L. H. J. provided the same Tax be necessary, and not burdensome to my good Tenants

I am much obliged to the Gentlemen of the Lower House, for their kind concern, for the back settlements, and shall not be wanting on my part, to contribute all in my power to promote their Interest, as well as that of the Manufactures and Trade of Great Britain, and I make no doubt, but Justice, and the preeminency of the Laws are so well known in Maryland, that it gives me an Infinite Satisfaction to see the great Increase of his Majesty's Subjects in Maryland, within these Ten years.

As for any person or persons presuming to Represent his Majesty's faithful Subjects of Maryland, and my good Tenants, as a factious, clamorous people, or as disaffected to his Majesty, or Ill-disposed to me, you may be assur'd they have and will meet with that Discountenance they deserve; and as you have lately given Testimony of your sincere Attachment to his Majestys person and Government, and are so kind as to assure me, that you never had it in your thoughts to abridge me in any of my Rights, I may with great Truth likewise Affirm, that the Laws have and shall be my only guide

I am glad you seem to have so favourable an Impression of your Governor, who I am convinced will make your Happiness his sole care

Given at London, this 12<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1743. By his Lordship's Command  
John Browning, Secretary

And also the Instructions from the Lords Justices. Ordered, That M<sup>r</sup> Smith and Col. King, joyn the Committee of Laws, in preparing an Address to his Majesty, ordered also That they joyn the said Committee in preparing an Answer to the Governor's Speech.

M<sup>r</sup> Magruder, from the Committee of Aggrievances &c acquaints M<sup>r</sup> Speaker, that Committee had made Choice of M<sup>r</sup> Edward Dorsey for Clerk: The House approves the Choice, and ordered that he Qualify himself. Major Henry Hall, Justice of the peace for Anne Arundell County, acquaints M<sup>r</sup> Speaker, that M<sup>r</sup> Dorsey qualified himself by taking the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, that he repeated the Test, and signed the oath of abjuration and Test, and took the oath of office

Col. King from the Committee of Accounts, acquaints M<sup>r</sup> Speaker, that M<sup>r</sup> Richard Dorsey, their former Clerk, is in an Ill State of Health, and that M<sup>r</sup> Richard Burke, hath offered his service to officiate for him until he shall be able to attend: The House Accepts the offer, and Ordered that M<sup>r</sup> Richard Burke Qualify himself.

William Stoughton Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Committee of Laws, acquaints M<sup>r</sup> Speaker, that Committee had made Choice of M<sup>r</sup> William Marshe to be their Clerke: The House approves the Choice, and ordered that M<sup>r</sup> Marshe Qualify himself.