portance to the safety and welfare of all his Majestys Northern U. H. J. Colonies; and also that Mr Shirley is Ordered by his Majesty to Liber No. 34 Compleat his Own as well as Sir William Pepperrells as Likewise Lieutenant General Phillips Regiment Out of those Troops, we hope you will assist the Officers who shall be sent to Raise Recruits for those Purposes, into your Government, with your Influence and Authority, and Contribute everything in Your Power to their Success and the Promoting of his Majestys Service

We think it Clear that the Arms and Accoutrements of the Soldiers are to be Returned and where the men have Lost them their Value must be Stopt out of their Pay or rather the several Captains are to be called on for the Armes of their Respective Companys and are Chargeable therewith, which you will be pleased to Consider. And we must Desire you will forthwith let us know Your opinion of what Pay it will be Reasonable to allow the Officers as well as men, for their Service

We are Sir Your honours most Obd^t humble Servants $W: Shirley \qquad Cha: Knowles$

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock

Wednesday Morning 23^d December This House met again according to Adjournment

December 23

Present as Yesterday

Read the Remonstrance of the Justices of Prince Georges Counting Praying that an Act may Pass to ascertain the Bounds Between the said County of Prince Georges and Baltimore County; Read the Petition of Several the Inhabitants of Prince Georges County praying that a Bill may be brought in to levy two hundred thousand Pounds of Tobacco in two Years on the taxable Inhabitants of the p. 216 said County for Building a Court house at Such Place as the Majority of the said Inhabitants shall agree upon, Referred to the Consideration of the Lower house of Assembly, & Sent by Col Tasker

Benjamin Tasker Esq^r attended by the Members of this house presents to his Excellency the address of this house which address follows in these words

To his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland

The humble address of the Upper house of Assembly

May it please Your Excellency We are Satisfied Your Excellency would not have called Us together at this late and Severe Season, but in Obedience to his Majestys Commands and from Your Zeal to his Service