

L. H. J.  
Liber No. 51  
Sept. 26

For Dorchester County,  
Mr. Daniel Sulivane,  
Mr. Charles Goldsborough,  
Col. Henry Travers.

For Frederick County,  
Capt. Joseph Chapline,  
Col. Thomas Cresap.

A sufficient Number of Delegates to compose a Lower House of Assembly having met at the Stadt-House ;

Ordered, That Mr. John Goldsborough and Col. Travers do acquaint his Excellency the Governor therewith.

They return and acquaint Mr. Speaker, That they delivered the Message.

p. 281 Col. Hammond, and Samuel Chamberlaine, Esq; from the Upper House, acquaint Mr. Speaker, That the Governor requires the Attendance of the Lower House of Assembly immediately in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and (with the Rest of the Members of the Lower House) went to the Council Chamber; where his Excellency made the following Speech, viz.

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly,

You are at this Time Convened, in Consequence of a Letter which I lately received from the Officer Commanding his Majesty's Forces on Lake Erie and the River Ohio, wherein, after intimating that the Service of the Regular Troops commanded by his Excellency General Amherst will be wanted in some other Quarter, he signifies to me, that for the Support of his Majesty's Rights on that Lake and River it will be absolutely necessary, that this Province should furnish at least Two Hundred Men, with a proportionate Number of Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officers, who, together with the Provincial Troops in the Pay of the neighbouring Colonies, may be employed in Garrisoning his Majesty's Forts in that Department. Such, Gentlemen, are the Contents of General Monckton's Letter, which it is my Duty to recommend to your immediate Consideration; and as the Service that you are desired to provide for is so very Essential, and the General's Requisition may be so easily complied with, I flatter myself you will more cheerfully embrace the Opportunity that is now given you of contributing towards the Preservation of his Majesty's Rights in this Part of America, and of removing, in some Degree, the unfavourable Opinion which the Measures that have for some Time been unhappily pursued here, have inclined many, besides his Majesty's Generals on this Continent, to entertain of the People of Maryland.

p. 282 If, Gentlemen, after you have made Provision for the Service which I have recommended to your Consideration, you shall think fit to proceed to other Business, you may be assured of my ready Concurrence any Measure likely to promote the Ease, Interest, and Prosperity of the Inhabitants of this Province.