

and engaged by Presents And it will surely be considered as a Happiness, if We can by some early Contribution not only put Ourselves into a State of Defence but either totally destroy the Enemy, or at least keep him at such a distance as not to infest our Borders; As I am commanded by his Majesty I must earnestly press You to all imaginable Dispatch, since the Shortness of Time, and the Nature of the Service required will not admit of the least Delay

U. H. J.
Liber No. 34

Mess^{rs} Gresham and Hyland attend with M^r George a Member Elected for Cecil County and with M^r George Wilson a Member elected for Kent County in Order to see them qualified, who take the several Oaths to the Government required by Law, repeat and sign the Abjuration and Test and then withdrew

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock

Wednesday Morning 18 June 1746

June 18

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as Yesterday

Mess^{rs} Goldsborough and Thomas from the Lower House attend with M^r Nicholas Goldsborough a Member elected for Talbot County in Order to see him qualified who takes the several Oaths to the Government required by Law repeats and subscribes the Adjuration and Test and then withdrew

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Adjourned til three of the Clock in the Afternoon

Eodem Die post Meridiem

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as in the Morning with the Addition of Col^o George Plater Benjamin Tasker Esq^r attended by the Members of this House present to his Excellency their Address which follows in these Words To his Excellency Thomas Bladen 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 return Your Excellency thanks for your kind Speech at the Opening of this Session

The Importance of the Enterprize which gives Occasion to this present Assembly is so great, and the Trade of Great Britain in General as well as the American Plantations in particular so much interested in It's Success, that We shall with the greatest Chearfulness contribute all in our Power to forward it

The Glory of Our Sovereign will at all times excite Us to Exert Ourselves and Act with Vigor, and more especially now, when it is placed so evidently in the Happiness of the People as the Attempt