PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

UPPER HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

At a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis U.H.J. on Saturday the 22d day of February in the 4.th year of his Lordships Liber No. 35 Dominion Annoque Domini 1755.

1755. February 22

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor.

Benjamin Tasker Esq.r Cof Benjamin Tasker The Honourable | Cot George Plater Benedict Calvert Esq. Richard Lee Esq.r Philip Thomas Esq.^r

Mess. 18 Tilghman and Jordan from the Lower house acquaint his Excellency that there is a Sufficient Number of Members to make a House and wait his Excellencys Commands.

Colonel Plater and Richard Lee Esq. rs are sent to the Lower house to acquaint the Speaker that his Excellency requires his immediate Attendance with the Lower house in the upper house

The Lower house Attend and his Excellency is pleased to make the following Speech

Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower houses of Assembly

As you have already expressed yourselves Sufficiently Sensible of the fatal Consequences that must attend the Enemies remaining Masters of that part of his Majestys Dominions to the Westward on which they have lately presumed to raise Forts and make Settlements; and have promised that nothing shall be wanting on Your Part to avert the imminent Danger with which their Vicinity threatens Us; it only Remains with me now to hope that you will fall on the most Prudent and unexceptionable Measures to raise as large a Sum as the Circumstances of this Province will Allow and Generously and gratefully Express your duty to the best of Kings, and your Care and Regard for the Lives and fortunes of yourselves and fellow Subjects. The Advice and Instructions I have received from home Since our last Meeting might give me occasion to enlarge on the tender and Paternal Care that his Majesty has been most Graciously pleased to Shew for the Security and welfare of his Subjects in these parts of his Dominions; but as I am persuaded that I need not Attempt to add to the weight of a Letter *

^{*}Letter from Sir Thomas Robinson printed on pages 48-50.