

Several of the Inhabitants of the Sea Board side in Somerset County having informed the honourable Col Levin Gale of the defenceless State of that part of the said County; It is ordered at the Request of the said Col Gale that a Quarter Barrel of Gunpowder and fifty Lb. of Ball be delivered to Captain Fawcett of the said County out of the publick Magazine in this City

The following Address being prepared is read and approved of

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty

The humble Address of the Council of the Province of Maryland
May it please Your Majesty

We Your Majestys most dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Council of Your Province of Maryland, being acquainted with the Resolutions of the Lower House of Assembly in this Province to represent this Government and Our selves to Your Majesty in some injurious and disadvantageous Light, We most humbly beg Leave to approach Your Majesty with this Address, That by laying before Your Majesty the conduct of the same Lower House, in only One Instance (among many Others) We most humbly presume their extraordinary Views & Desires to assume to themselves all Power and Authority, will appear to have so great Influence in their Consultations, as to render every Opposition to their irregular Proceedings, and unwarrantable Expectations, in their Opinion a grievance and Matter of Complaint: Wherefore We most humbly take the Liberty of informing Your Majesty, that by temporary Acts of Assembly for about twenty five years past there has been Money annually raised by a Duty of Three pence on every hog head of Tobacco exported out of This Province, and expressly appropriated for the Purchase of Ordnance and Ammunition for its Defence; but in March 1735 an Act raising the like Duty, and to the same Uses and Purposes was made, and to continue for Three years and to the End of the next Session of Assembly after the said Three years, which Act being in Force in 1739