

A General Assembly of this Province by Proclamation Dated the 3. Day of October Anno 1685 called to sit at St. Marys the last Tuesday in March 1686 and from thence by Proclamation Dated 5th Day of March prorogued to the last Tuesday in October 1686 and from thence by Proclamation dated the 26th Day of October 1686. prorogued to the 27th Day of October 1686 aforsaid at which Said 27th Day of October the said Assembly sat untill the 19th Day of November 1686 and then was Adjourned untill the last Tuesday in May 1687 and by Proclamation Dated the 8th Day of March 1686 Prorogued till the first Tuesday in November 1687 and by Proclamation Dated the 21st Day of September 1687 Prorogued to the first Tuesday in October 1688 by Proclamation Dated the 6th Day of September last Prorogued to the first Tuesday in March 1689 but by Proclamation Dated the 6th Day of October last past called and convened to sit the 12th Day of November instant from thence by Proclamation Dated the said 12th Day of November prorogued to the 13th Day of the same Instant Month and the said 13th Instant the same was Prorogued to the 14th Day of the same Month at which said 14th Day of the same Month Anno One thousand Six hundred eighty and eight in the thirteenth year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. over this Province the said Generall Assembly was begun and held at the City of St. Maries where appeared of the Upper house

The honourable — { William Joseph Esq. President
Col Henry Darnall
Major Nicholas Sewall
Clement Hill Esq. }

Col Henry Fowles and Mr. James Round from the Lower house & acquaint this house, that the Lower house were met and were ready to receive the Orders of this house —

To which Message this house return for Answer, that it is the desire of this house that the Lower house with their Speaker come up to this house

The Lower house with their Speaker enter this house and the Honourable the President spoke to them as followeth
Gentlemen

It cannot be for at least I hope it is not unknown to any the Members of this Honourable Assembly, that the unquestionable Duty of every of us in particular and of us all in Generall is that we first render thanks & praise to the Almighty for that it hath pleased the Divine Goodness thus to Bless us in this I hope so good and happy a Meeting, nor ought we to be Strangers