

October 1698

Maryland Is.

Port of Annapolis October 20<sup>th</sup> 1698.

Whereas the Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly of this Province was by His  
Ex<sup>ty</sup> Francis Nicholson Esq<sup>r</sup> his Maj<sup>ty</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and Governour in  
Chief in and over this his Maj<sup>ty</sup> Province of Marylande and the  
Territories therunto belonging prorogued untill this Instant.

There appeared in the house these following Members viz<sup>t</sup>

Mr. Jacob Macland.

Mr. John Hall.

Mr. James Saunders.

Mr. Thomas Haty.

Maj<sup>r</sup> Walter Smith.

Mr. William Barton.

Mr. John Leek.

Mr. William Hutchison.

Mr. Henry Hawkins

Col. Minion Beale, and

Capt. Philip Hopkins.

Mr. Thomas Wright.

Mr. Benjamin Hall.

Who goe and present themselves to his Ex<sup>ty</sup> and his Maj<sup>ty</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Councill who being admitted was pleased to acquaint them that  
for as much as there is not any of y<sup>e</sup> Delegates from y<sup>e</sup> Eastern Shores  
yet come to Towne and that Generall of y<sup>e</sup> Members of y<sup>e</sup> Western  
Shores are yet wanting that he does by and with the advise of his Maj<sup>ty</sup>  
hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill further prorogue them untill y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> Instant, and  
that they are thereby prorogued.

Dies Saturnij: October 22<sup>d</sup> 1698.

The hon<sup>ble</sup> John Courts and James Fibly Esquire Enter y<sup>e</sup> house  
and informs them that his Ex<sup>ty</sup> requires Mr. Speaker and y<sup>e</sup> whole  
house to attend on him in Councill.

Mr. Speaker and the whole house goe down to the Councill  
Chamber where being admitted.

His Ex<sup>ty</sup> was pleased to acquaint them that for as much as it had  
pleas'd God of his great Mercy to bless his Maj<sup>ty</sup> Kingdome and  
Dominions with many great and signall blessings particularly by  
crowning his Glorious Endeavours with an hon<sup>ble</sup> and happy peace,  
the safe returne of his Maj<sup>ty</sup> to his Kingdome in quiet and happy  
Union and signall agreement and accords between his Maj<sup>ty</sup> and  
Parliament in raising such Supplies as were necessary for defraying  
the arrears and supporting the Honour and Dignity of y<sup>e</sup> Crowne.

And what in a more particular Manner affected his Maj<sup>ty</sup>  
Province was that it had pleas'd God to withdraw from us his