

of a Secretary's Commission afterwards granted by His Ldp to M^r Jennings under which he held the Office till upon My Ld's appointing his late Uncle Secretary M^r Jennings received a Deputation in which were some Clauses that had not as you will observe been inserted in the other. No Business having as I have already hinted been done in the Commissary's Office since the first of Novem^r M^r Goldsborough the Commissary has spent his Winter on the other side the Bay where Col^o Lloyd also resides so that I have not an immediate Opportunity of letting them know that they are for the future to make the same annual Remittance to you they did to your Predecessor, but you may depend upon my Compliance with your Request respecting that Matter as soon as possible, & that I shall also signify the same to the Judges of the Land Office One of whom (M^r Calvert) does not live in Town but I expect to see him here very shortly & doubt not their performance of what is required, tho as their Office as well as those of D Secretary & Commissary must while things remain here in the present Situation be burthensome to them instead of lucrative I am apt to think they have already applied by Letters to the late M^r Calvert or will apply to you for a Remission of what they should annually pay in Proportion to the time that no Business can be done in their respective Offices; & from a Hint M^r Dulany dropt when he told me he should not fail to answer your Letter by an early Opportunity I am inclined to think he will also press you to accept of less than the Sum of £200 which M^r Calvert required from that Office. I shall as soon as possible transmit you agreeable to His Ldps Desire the Heads & Substance of the several Instructions I have had the honour to receive from His Ldp at different times with such Hints as I may think it pertinent to give you thereupon & as you seem desirous to receive the fullest Information from me concerning the provincial Affairs so that you may be the better able to serve His Ldp & promote the Welfare & Prosperity of the People over whom I have the honour to preside I will in the Letters I shall from time to time write to you endeavour to be as explicit as possible & shall be very glad if I can make the Correspondence we have now commenced agreeable to you & be ready to embrace every Opportunity of rendering you acceptable Service. Presuming that you see what I have for some Months past wrote in several Letters addressed to your Predecessor relative to the late Publick Transactions in this Province & concerning other Matters I shall not (as nothing else material has since occurred here) prolong this Letter farther than just to assure you that I am with great Esteem & Respect, Sir, y^{rs} &c.