

Letter Bk. II. accept of the proposition & Conditions for the 100 Acres of Land to S<sup>t</sup> Mary Ann Parish in Cæcil County, also of M<sup>r</sup> Baker a Burgess like proposition & Condition to 500 Acres of Land each in the mannour of Talbot on the same Terms that the Rest of the Mannour is leased, you may order the same to be carried into Execution agreeable to the late Lord's Instructions concerning the same. His Lordship hopes the whole Mannour is not concluded by Grants already made, it has been represented to me 38000 Acres & that of the best Land in the Province in its Situation & Goodness. The Instruction of the late Lords for 99 years Term renewable for ever by Lease on a small Fine, with two Fines payable on every Alienation & one small Quit Rent is poor Conditions for such valuable Land: therefore it is hoped the Remainder will yield some Recompence for the Advantages others have got not quite just but to avoid Contest tho of undoubted Right to My Lord. As to M<sup>r</sup> Thomas's Pretensions for Satisfaction from My Lord it would be right to represent it more particular, my Lord can form no Judgment as represented—

By M<sup>r</sup> Lloyd's Letter to me the Behaviour of M<sup>r</sup> Tilghman Rent-Roll Keeper of the Eastern Shore is unpardonable. his not issuing the Rent-Roll & Omission not signing the Debt Books he delivers to the Farmers & Receivers whereby they wanting such Requisites having such defective Books cannot distrain or warrant for Rent due for want of sufficient Voucher to offer to the magistrate to justify their Charge, this so My Lord very justly resents, & orders me to acquaint you that you do not fail on the Receipt of this the Dismission of all Employments he holds under him & that you do appoint another proper person in his Stead ordering M<sup>r</sup> Lloyd agent to make Mr Tilghman discharge render His Lordship a fair account.

Original.

[Baltimore to Sharpe.]

London May 14<sup>th</sup> 1755

Sir

I very much approve of your conduct in every thing and am so well satisfied as to your Zeal & capacity for the service of his Majesty & myself, that I am under much less uneasiness from the neighbourhood of the enemy than I otherways shou'd be, for I make no doubt that you will use your utmost endeavours to fulfill his Majestys expectations in all things.

M<sup>r</sup> Calverts Letter to you will fully explain my intentions in all my affaires, so that I have nothing farther to add, but that I desire you will see the collection of my Revenue established on the best footing, the completion of w<sup>ch</sup> as I have some time