

what would be the Consequence of our Assembly's Meeting at this time. I have not heard certainly what Resolution the Virginians have come to but there is a flying Report that they have granted £40000. more for his Majesty's Service & the Protection of their Frontiers in consequence of which 500 Rangers are gone toward the extreme Parts of that Province. We learn from Virg<sup>a</sup> that one Coll. Patton of Augusta C<sup>ty</sup> a very active & worthy man was lately scalped as he was proceeding to command a Party of Rangers on New River, & on Houlston River we hear Numbers have been cut off together with one Ensign Wright who was ordered thither to range &c.

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[Sharpe to Calvert.]

Aug<sup>st</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>

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Inclosed you receive Bills of Excha. for £124. 16: 2 which you will accept & dispose of as heretofore; I mentioned to you some time since that I would replace the Money that was advanced Evans out of the Naval Office of Pocomoke but as his Ldp was pleased to order me to commissionate M<sup>r</sup> Graham to that place before one year had elapsed the Moiety of Fees paid me was only £39. 6 Currency which was something more than £20. short of what I had advanced & expended, however I thought I could receive that Sum & much more from the Land Office as it was near a Year before a joint Judge was added to Doctor Steuart but when I hinted as much to him the other Day he told me that you had been pleased to give him the whole profitts of the Office for that year by a Letter w<sup>ch</sup> he had lately received however that he was ready to account with me for a Moiety if I required it, finding that was the Case I dropt the Affair & shall not think thereof again till I know your farther pleasure. The 30<sup>th</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1753 I inclosed to you sundry Bills viz. M<sup>r</sup> Wilmot p<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Iennings's for drawing plans of the City of Annapolis £5. 10. M<sup>r</sup> Emory for various Services p<sup>r</sup> Order M<sup>r</sup> Jennings £22. 13. 9. M<sup>r</sup> Emory for sundry services p<sup>r</sup> Order Gov<sup>r</sup> Sharpe £14. 14. 9. Col<sup>o</sup> Cresap for Services by Gov<sup>r</sup> Ogles Order £100. The last of w<sup>ch</sup> Bills only you have taken any Notice of to me. since that time the Mensurations that Emory made in Obedience to an Order of Council has considerably enlarged his Bill as you will see by the inclosed which he sent me sometime since with a petition that I would procure him payment. I did not choose to return him any Answer till I could be favoured with your Instructions, them I shall hope to receive soon, in the mean time I am  
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