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Papers. of Provision for the support of Govern^t being as presumed well Satisfyed. The Act of 1704 was in Force & Effectual for that Purpose.

I shall now conclude, my short Narrative of the Rise, Birth, & being & Progress of the several Acts of Assembly, to the Act of 1704, For the Support of his Majesty's Gov^r The Right of the Act of 1704 is so undeniable Apparent with the Crown & with Lord Baltimore as His Majesty's Hereditary Gov^r of Maryland, Its Quality is unto a Diamond not to be altered but by its own Power, w^h it has not as yet rece^d Therefore cannot want your Authenticity to the King & the Lord Proprietor as an Act of the Province & By w^h the Present Support of the Gov^r is raised. Y^r good sence will excuse My freedom of Reasoning occasion'd by impartial Notice of things, the Duty of My Office, & to put you on y^r Guard ag^t Attempts in prejudice to the Lord Proprietors Property & of the Support of Govern^t wish^s you a Happy Iudgem^t in all things.

My Lord wishes the Completion of the Gov^{rs} House, hopes the Assembly will find means to finish their work, Espicially as requisite Luster to the Province, when finished will not want his valuable Gift. My Comissⁿ as Provincial Sec^y impowers Me with the Appointm^t of the County Clerks. Having made known to the Proprietor M^r Comiss^y Dulany's request on the Death of M^r James Smith Clerk of Kent County pray^s the favour of his son Dennis Dulany in Succession to that Clerkship, My Lord approv^s I desire you'l Cause to be Entered a Mem^{dm} in My Office as my order & Appointm^t that M^r Dennis Dulany be Comiss^d accord^{gly} Clerk on Demise of M^r James Smith The Rev^d M^r Harris in My Lords Inst^{ns} gives me concern his notorious Badness, said Fogery bringing him under his Lord^{ps} high displeasure w^h can't by him be retrived But by recom^d to My Lord on his Behalf from the Body of the Provincial Clergy. My Lord sends M^r Sam^l Chew his Comp^{ts} for his obliging Let^r

On Conclusion, I've y^r Packet By Cap^t Chew with y^{rs} of the 1st & 6th of Aug^t last. y^r Request ab^t M^r Ridout, you may depend of all Service in my power on vacancy & the Crown's cont^s the Officer of Customs at Chester. His Lord^{ps} wo^d have been well-pleased, had My Plan for Receipt of his Quit-Rents been Completed. He thanks you for the Reduction in part 5 p^r C^t & depends on y^r Service of the rem^{dr} 5 p^r C^t taken off the Farmers two years hence, the Expiration of their Contracts, & at w^h time, he hopes the Sheriffs will be the Collectors of that part of his Revenue, accord^s to My Scheme delivered. He desires Quick dispatch of his Rentals, will Esteem it Obligatory, do not fail.

Y^r Speech in y^{rs} of the 6th his Lord^{ps} Approves & is pleased