

to the first Vacancies, & upon a Consciousness that their superiour Qualifications might at this time be more serviceable to His Lordship than he could hope to be, he seemed to acquiesce & I promised him that as far as I should think it consonant with my Duty to His Lordship he might rest assured I should always be ready to serve him, to do which he must have been persuaded as I beleive you also are that I never wanted Inclination. Upon his saying that he expected I would make some farther Provision for him than the places which he already holds I desired him to acquaint me how I might do so & promised him that if twas in my power I should readily comply with his Request, He answered the Clerks^p of Kent County would satisfy his Desires it being an Office w^{ch} might in great measure be executed by a good Writer that he could easily engage for that purpose (that Clerkship you know you have already promised to a Son of the late Commissary Gen^l whose Estate lies in Kent County & ordered his Name to be entered in the Secretary's Office in memory of your having so done) I told him that in case a Clerkship should be vacant I had not the least Objection to such a proposition but observed that if he accepted such a Place he must relinquish all thoughts of being a Councillor, as there was a great Impropriety in a Persons being such a Ministerial Officer as a County Clerk is & at the same time being a Member of a Superiour Branch of the Legislature. Of this he said he would consider; & as he is lately removed hither with his Family, I have since had an Opportunity of conversing on this Subject with M^{rs} Young who does not seem much inclined to consent to her Husband's waving his Right to a Seat at the Council tho as she desires he may have a lucrative Employment as well as Honour she hopes he may depend on the Clerkship of Kent County when it becomes vacant (that being the best in the Province & Kent a pleasant part of the Country) but as it is possible M^r Smith the present Clerk might live many years tho he is pretty old, She hopes neither His Lordship nor yourself will be agst appointing M^r Young Keeper of the Western Shore Rent-Roll till the Clerkship falls, & desires I will second her in making such a Request. I have spoke to Colonel Lloyd to resign it & accept of the Eastern Shore Roll in lieu thereof & at the same time gave him in writing a Power & Order to dismiss M^r Tilghman from His Lordship's Service as soon as he had brought him to a proper Account, & made him resign up all the Books & Papers which he has relating to his Lordship's Rents. I do not know whether Colonel Lloyd has yet discharged M^r Tilghman but he is entirely averse to accepting that himself in lieu of the Western Shore Roll; & M^r Darnall also declines & refuses

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