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Papers. to accept either. The inclosed is a Copy of M<sup>r</sup> Darnall's Lett<sup>r</sup> in answer to the proposal that in Obedience to His Lordship's Instructions I made him, he has at present the Naval Office of Potuxent which as he does not reside near that River he executes by Deputy; Unless I receive Instructions to the Contrary he will continue to enjoy that place; but should His Lordship be willing to have it conferred on any other Gent<sup>n</sup> I submit whether M<sup>r</sup> Darnall may not on M<sup>r</sup> Young's Resigning the Offices he holds at present for one more lucrative be appointed Naval Officer of Pocomoke, the Duty of which he might perhaps be able to execute by one of his Sons who I am told resides near that River; in such Case the Surveyorship would buy a Friend in the Lower House who might receive the Profitts, & to prevent it's being known let the Office be held in some third Person's Name as has been heretofore done; or that Office might be conferred on one of the Council or otherwise as you shall judge best. M<sup>r</sup> Darnall I hear entertains very sanguine hopes of being one of the Council as I sometime since hinted to you, but I hope His Lordship will not be willing to promote him so far on the Consideration that the Nomination of a Person so obnoxious to the People on Account of his Family's being educated in a Religion ag<sup>st</sup> which it is the fashion to be clamorous, will create great Uneasinesses here; & even out of regard to M<sup>r</sup> Darnall himself I would advise him to decline it. Be pleased to signify his Lordship's pleasure with respect to him as well as M<sup>r</sup> Young as soon as possible & I shall most punctually perform whatever shall be agreeable to His Lordship & yourself concerning them. You seem to think that as M<sup>r</sup> Bordley is Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup> & Naval Officer of Annapolis it would be proper to remove him to the Council, that such Persons are those that should be preferred to Seats there I entirely agree with you, & after M<sup>r</sup> Dulany I do not care if he be thought most proper to be preferred. You apprehend that Colonel Lloyd is dissatisfied at M<sup>r</sup> Cha<sup>s</sup> Goldsborough's being not taken into the Council; I hope he is not such a Person as can bear no Disappointment without Resentment; however tho I cannot approve of M<sup>r</sup> Goldsborough as a Councillor yet as he has not of late behaved amiss & might be made a usefull Tool in the Lower House (of which he & one of his Brothers are Members) on Account of his Cunning & Capacity to lead or impose on some of the Burgesses, I could wish to have it in my power to secure him, & from his Disposition I guess that might be done by giving him the Profitts of the Eastern Shore Surveyorship in case of M<sup>r</sup> Young's being better provided for: this I presume would also satisfy Colonel Lloyd & make M<sup>r</sup> Goldsborough serve His Ldp in a Character for which he seems best adapted. Agreeable to His Ldp's Instructions of