

Letter Bk. IV County made out & examined agreeable to his Ldp's Instructions, M<sup>r</sup> Thomas has likewise made out Rent Rolls for Cecil & Dorchester Counties (in the same form) which he was in hopes would have been transmitted by the Fleet but the Judges of the Land Office having not quite examined them I must defer sending them till I have another opportunity of assuring you that I am with the greatest Regard & P. S. Inclosed in a Cover mark't E. You a Bill of Excha for £125—

Letter Bk. III

[Sharpe to Wm. Sharpe.]

29<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1759.

D<sup>r</sup> B<sup>r</sup>

Since I wrote to you the 24<sup>th</sup> Inst. the Officers who commanded our Provincial Troops & the Person that supplied them with Provisions from the time that the Assembly dropt 'em till General Forbes ordered them to be victualled by the Kings Commissary have put into my hands the Memorial that I mentioned to you together with Copies of the Muster Rolls & their Accounts; As I did not know but my Ld or M<sup>r</sup> Calvert might take it amiss if I transmitted these Papers to the Secretary of State thro any other Persons hands I have directed them all for M<sup>r</sup> Calvert together with my Lett<sup>r</sup> for M<sup>r</sup> Pitt but as I much question whether he will choose to wait on the Secretary of State upon such an Errand lest he should be ask't some disagreeable questions I have intimated to him that if he would rather decline the Office I flatter myself you will present my Lett<sup>r</sup> to M<sup>r</sup> Pitt & also that you or B<sup>r</sup> Phill will take Charge of the Muster Rolls & Accounts & in Case they should be called for will then deliver them to the Secretary of States' Order. As I have wrote fully to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert concerning the Affair & he will if he desires Your Advice or Assistance therein communicate to you the Contents of my Lett<sup>r</sup> It would I apprehend be unnecessary to trouble you with a longer one on the Subject, wherefore I shall only add that if you will be so kind as to do the Officers & M<sup>r</sup> Ross all the Service in your Power it will give me great pleasure because in the first place their Case is really such as entitles them to Pity & if they succeed in the Application they are now making the Assembly must believe that their Success is in a great Measure owing to me, & the reasonable ones among us will be apt to conclude from the Ministry's recompensing the Officers for their Services that the Assembly's Conduct with regard to them is not much approved of. When I wrote to you the 13<sup>th</sup> Iuly I had thoughts of transmitting the Muster Rolls &c. to the Earl of Loudoun but as I understand he