

thought it would not be amiss to inclose you a Copy of that Letter of mine, & also a Copy of one that I addressed to M^r Pitt himself on the same Occasion & of which I now transmit to him a Duplicate. The Parish of St Marys White Chapple in Dorchester County having become vacant by the Death of M^r Myers soon after I wrote to you the 2^d of Feb^y I inducted the Rev^d M^r Philip Walker in whose favour His Ldp was pleased some time ago to send me a particular Instruction, M^r Walker having several Reasons to be more fond of that Parish than any other in the Province. The two Livings in this County that were lately enjoyed by M^r Spencer & M^r Chalmers are still vacant. If His Ldp approves thereof I would bestow one of them on the Rev^d M^r Berkley who has resided some time in the Province; the other which is contiguous to this Parish I could wish to see united or joined to it, but such a Thing cannot be done unless the Parishioners would all give their Consent & that I believe it will be scarcely possible to get. M^r Ridout tells me there is a Young Clergyman in the West of England one M^r Metcalf lately of Oxford who hath been well recommended to him & whom therefore he should be willing to serve, if His Lordship will give me Leave to provide for him when an Opportunity offers I will advise M^r Ridout to invite him over to the Province. M^r Smith the late Clerk of Kent County being dead M^r Dennis Dulany hath agreeable to your orders been lately put into possession of that Office which is a very lucrative one, & as he is now provided for I think it is not unlikely that M^r D^l Dulany the Commissary Gen^l will solicit you & endeavour to secure a Promise in favour of his other Brother M^r Walter Dulany. Such a Promise however I hope you will never give him, for it would in the first place put it absolutely out of my Power to serve those who I may probably think have a prior Right to expect some Favour from His Ldp; in the second Place was he to obtain any Office in that manner it would not only make him but incline others also to think lightly of the Confidence which I hope His Ldp is pleased to repose in me, & instead of recommending themselves to Favour by behaving well towards me they will take a different way to obtain their Ends, the natural Consequence of which you cannot but foresee. Besides to be candid & free with you I do not think M^r Dulany's own Behaviour since he has been promoted has been such either towards the Lord Proprietary or myself as gives him a Right to expect or (to use a word more applicable to him) to insist that all his Family & Friends shall be preferred to every one else. As I am just now informed by the Printer that the Addresses which were presented to me by both Houses of Assembly in Answer to my Speech at the opening

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