

to refer to some of them, & there are no Copies left in the Province. Inclosed I send you Bills of Excha for £125, & am with great Regard Sir Letter Bk. IV

[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

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Annapolis 14th Oct^r 1760.

My Ld.

Having been lately advised by M^r Calvert that Your Ldp had received the two Letters which I had the honour to address to your Ldp the 27th of March & 4th of May last & that your Ldp was pleased to approve of the Gentleman whom I took the Liberty in the former of those Letters to recommend to your Ldp's Favour, I am now to return Your Ldp Thanks for your kind Compliance with my Request, being at the same time assured that in Conferring such an honourable Mark of Favour on M^r Ridout Your Ldp has taken a Step that you will never have the least Reason to Repent. The Distemper with which Col^o Goldsborough had been so long afflicted having at length deprived us of him, I shall after suffering a few Days more to elapse (which I do out of Respect to the Memory of the Deceased) introduce M^r Ridout to the Council & have him qualified agreeable to your Ldps Intention. The Articles of Agreement into which Your Ldp was pleased to enter with the Proprietaries of Pensilvania having been brought to me from Phila^a by an Express the 19th of last month together with your Ldp's Commission appointing myself & six other Gentlemen Commissioners on Your Ldp's Behalf to meet the Commissioners from Pens^a & carry the Articles of Agreement into Execution, I immediately had Letters wrote to Col^o Henry & the other Commissioners who live at a Distance from Annapolis to advise them of their being nominated by Your Ldp & to desire them to meet here in the ensuing week (when the Assembly was to sit) to consult & agree on what Steps were to be taken, after what manner the several Lines mentioned in the Articles of Agreement were to be run & finally to appoint a certain Time & Place for meeting the Pens^a Commissioners & proceeding to Business. What hath been since done by us in pursuance of Your Ldp's Commission will appear by a Narrative or Journal which I have transmitted to M^r Calvert to be by him laid before your Ldp: For Reasons which are therein mentioned your Ldp will perceive that we have not been yet able to fix a certain Day for meeting the Commissioners appointed by the Proprietaries of Pens^a but I hope & expect that we shall meet them the Beginning of next month. Together with the abovementioned Articles & Commission I received your Ldps Instruction dated the 8th of July last empowering me to draw p. 138