

Letter Bk. III Plantations signified to me by Your Letter dated the 18<sup>th</sup> of Oct<sup>r</sup> there having been no Edition of the Acts of Assembly which have been passed in this Province almost these fifty Years, but a Gent<sup>n</sup> of Abilities has been some time employed in making a Collection of the several Acts of Assembly that have been made here at different times since the Settlement of the Province & are now in force & I hope & expect that his Copy will be ready for the Press in a few months. Be pleased Sir to acquaint their Ldps with this Circumstance & to assure them that I shall not fail to transmit three Copies of the af<sup>d</sup> Acts under the Seal of the Province as soon as they shall be published I am &c.

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[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Annapolis the 28<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1761.

My Ld

Being told that there is a Vessel just about to sail from Choptank for London I thought it my Duty to dispatch this on board & to recommend it to the Masters particular Care that Your Ldp may be advised as soon as possible of my having received the Instructions which you were pleased to transmit to me the 30<sup>th</sup> of Oct<sup>r</sup> last by the way of New York; Several Gent<sup>n</sup> of the Council being assembled at my House the 23<sup>d</sup> Inst when the abovementioned Instructions & the several Copies of Proclamations Declarations &c. were brought to me by Express from Phil<sup>a</sup> I laid the same before them & we thereupon Resolved to proclaim His sacred Majesty King George the Third in this City & County the Tuesday following, conceiving that it would be right to postpone the Solemnity so long, in order that the absent Members of the Council or at least some of Them, the Magistrates of the County & the Militia might have notice to attend the Ceremony; agreeable therefore to the abovementioned Resolution & in Consequence of the Notice that had been given, Several of the Gent<sup>n</sup> of the Council (who had met & together with myself had taken the Oaths the Day before) the neighbouring Clergy, some of the County Magistrates the Members of the Corporation & other Gentlemen assembled at my House & we went thence in procession to the Council Chamber, before which (some Companies of Militia being there drawn up under Arms) We proclaimed His Majesty King George the Third with the usual Solemnity & in the Form of Words which Your Ldp was pleased to send me to be used on the Occasion, And after His Majesty's gracious Declaration in Council upon his Accession had been read, were also published The King's Proclamation for continuing Officers & a proclamation for Altering the