

of Potuxent, on the Conditions abovementioned, but not unless His Ldp would be pleased to continue him afterwards, otherwise as he is a person for whom every Body knows I have a very particular Regard People would be apt to draw such Conclusions from his being superseded as would contribute very little to my Weight & Influence. Should His Ldp think fit to approve of my Recommendation I will be answerable for the Doctor's Behaviour for I am well assured of his Honour & Integrity & am confident he will ever study to render His Ldp as well as myself acceptable Service. As to M^r Darnall he is retired to the House of a near Relation in S^t Mary's County & I suppose will never venture to appear abroad again in this province, for should he be taken by the Process that is issued in pursuance of the Advice of the Upper House he could prevail on no one to bail him, & should he be once carried to Prison he could never expect to be relieved by an Act of Assembly. On Reading the Committee's Report you will observe that M^r Young the Naval Officer of Pocomoke hath likewise managed in much the same manner as M^r Darnall, having applied to his own Use the whole Amount of the 15^d p^r Hhd that hath been collected in his District ever since his Appointment, but as it did not amount to so considerable a Sum his Brother in Law M^r W Dulany being one of the Committee upon the Discovery of his Neglect sent an Express for his Annual Accounts & paid into the hands of the Commissioners of the Loan Office a Bill of Excha for the Ballances that ought to have been remitted every year by M^r Young to the Trustees in London & also for Interest on such Ballances from the time when they respectively became due, on Consideration whereof the Lower House left his Name out of their Address, tho I doubt not but many of the Members will make very free with his Character when they shall be acquainting their Constituents with M^r Darnall's Misdemeanour; & indeed as he is a Person of so indolent a Disposition so bad an Oeconomist, & lives at so great a Distance from the District that it is absolutely impossible he should know what his Deputy does there, I am afraid this is not the last Complaint that will be made against him if he continues long in that Office. As to the Ballance which the Committee in the first part of their Report suppose to be due from the Estate of the late Naval Officer of Potowmack I am inclined to think from what M^r Tasker & M^r Lee tell me that it was paid by His Executors (who are also dead) but concerning that Matter I presume the Trustees can give us Information, & I shall therefore desire the Commissioners of the Loan Office to write to them on the Subject. As you will perceive by the Report that the Committee was of Opinion that the Trustees ought not to keep such Sums of the Coun-

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