

Our Allied Army under the Com^d of Prince Ferdinand in Germany, who only can stand on the defensive, the enabled to make forcible Detachments are likely to become masters of the Electorate of Hanover, a means they seem to tend to as a Ballance on their side for Peace with us, who are their Conquerors both by Land & at Sea & in possession of vast Dominions of theirs in Asia, Africa and America & are Landed Besieging their Citadel & Town of Palais in the Isle of Bellisle; the Town is taken, but the Citadel on Rock ground to act in Fortifications as Land & to the Sea & of no approach by Sap under these circumstances the difficulty great, before w^h Gen^l Hdgson has been upw^{ds} of two months, many slain & will be in Effected. The Isle is ab^t a league from the main Land, the Channel shallow with But of Peace, the Belligerent Powers are become Temperate & agreed for a Congress at Ausburgh.

Mons^r Bussy Charge des affaires & is in London, from hence M^r Hans Stanly is at Paris on

pays all & from whom others must Accept. May Peace dwell & all Happiness attend you is the sincere wish of him who is with reality,

Y^{rs} unfeignedly
Cæcil^s Calvert

To His Excell^{cy} Gov^r Sharpe.

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

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Annapolis 22^d June 1761 transmitted by M^r Dulany,
Duplicate by Capt Carr—

Sir

As I flatter myself that the several Lett^{rs} which I addressed to His Ldp & Yourself the 19th, 20th, & 30th of April & 5th, 6th, & 10th of May last have ee^r this come to your hands or will be very soon received by you I have very little to trouble you with at present more than to inform you that the Surveyors after running the North Line 25 Miles up the Peninsula from the Middle Point have been obliged to break off by reason that they could no longer take an Observation after the manner they had done before the 6th Inst (the Polar Star & that Star called Alioth now transiting the Meridian in the Day time) & they could not agree upon another Method not being acquainted with any two Stars that at this Season come on the Meridian of the Middle Point in the night exactly at the same time, besides they were become very sickly having been for some time in a dismal part of the Country abounding with Marshes & Swamps. Upon the Surveyors Representing to

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