

some responsible Merchant his Security in which Case this will be cancelled, but of the Expediency of such a Measure you will be better able to judge when you have talked to him as I presume you will concerning the Arrears that are now due to you from him on Account of the Commissary's Office: I need not I imagine inform you that the Commission M^r Dulany has at present is issued by me as Governor not by Virtue of any power of Attorney from you, if you choose to supersede this by any other you will I suppose in that Case tho you should not if the present Commission is to continue in force desire him to prevail on some Merchant in London to become his Surety for the punctual payment of what Sum you & he shall agree on. I shall by this Opportunity write to His Ldp what occurs to me in answer to your Letter of the 10th of Jan^y concerning M^r Goldsborough whom I really thought from what you have at times wrote to me particularly in your Letter dated the 18th Nov^r 1757 that His Ldp was desirous to distinguish by such Mark of Favour; If His Ldp should be still of opinion that it would be better to appoint some other I hope you will with His Ldp's permission inform me whom His Ldp thinks most worthy & proper that if I know any thing concerning such Gentleman which if known to His Ldp might incline him to entertain a different opinion I may advise him thereof, What induces me to make this Request is that paragraph of Your Letter wherein you say "Others of Abilities not Lawyers are well deserving from continued just Behaviour" because I cannot tell to whom you therein allude. In my Letter dated the 29th of April I gave you the Reason which I presume induced M^r Goldsborough & several others to be on the Affirmative Side of that question whereon D^r Steuart's was the only negative Voice, & by the Journal which I now transmit, you will see that D^r Steuart during the late Convention found himself under a necessity of acting the same part, he having Voted for the Appropriation of Ordinary Lycences towards the Support of a College in Annapolis lest the Inhabitants his Constituents had he voted otherwise should have deemed him an Enemy to the City & have rejected him at the next Election & indeed if one was always to judge of a Member's Inclination by the Votes & proceedings one should often entertain an erroneous opinion, as for Instance in the Journal now sent you (pages 23 & 24) it appears that there was a Division upon a question whether 200 or 400 Men should be raised for His Majesty's Service, & from the Entry a Stranger would be apt to think that those who Voted for only 200 were most averse to promoting the Service tho the Truth is that they who were strenuous for a greater Number proceeded on this principle that if only a small Sum was to be raised they

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