

[Sharpe to Calvert.]

Letter Bk. IV

Copy of 123<sup>d</sup> Letter to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert. Dated Annapolis the 27<sup>th</sup>  
Sept<sup>r</sup> 1763.

Sir

As Captain Love had been detained in the Province so much longer than I had reason to expect I begun to hope that I should have got the Surveyors Minutes transcribed & a Plan or Draft of the several Lines they have run neatly finished time enough to be transmitted by him, but as the Captain has brought down his Ship from Chester River this Morning & the Wind being now fair seems impatient to run down the Bay & be at Sea I must defer sending you such Copy & Draft till another opportunity offers; I embrace however this to inform you that in pursuance of the Instructions given them the Surveyors on the 30<sup>th</sup> of last month finished what they had been ordered to perform with regard to the Tangent Line or rather the Line that we call a Tangent which it seems crosses two Branches of Bohemia River a little below Tide Water & where when at lowest it is about three feet deep. When the Surveyors have finished the Platt I shall consult with the Commissioners thereon & communicate to you our Sentiments. The Line that the Surveyors run last (which perhaps is no more an exact straight Line than those they had run before) passed as appears by their Minutes at the Distance of five Chains & twenty five Links westward of the Post mark't <sup>M</sup><sub>XII</sub> which was before supposed to stand at the true Tangent Point as well as at the Extremity of a Twelve Mile Radius from Newcastle. I am glad it is in my power to tell you that no Indians have been seen on our Frontiers for these two Months past & that since Col<sup>o</sup> Bouquet reached Pittsburg after defeating the Indians who annoyed him on his March the Inhabitants of this Province at least seem to be relieved from their Apprehensions of Danger; As I see by the last Phila<sup>a</sup> Gazette that a Packet sailed from New York for England the 18<sup>th</sup> Inst. I presume you will before this reaches you have seen in the publick Papers an Account of All that had passed at Detroit to the time the last Advices were received by General Amherst from that Country, as well as a particular Detail of Col<sup>o</sup> Bouquet's Conduct when he was attacked on his March to Pittsburg by which I believe he has acquired some Reputation. Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd being now here has agreed with M<sup>r</sup> Carrol for a Piece of Ground in a convenient & high part of this Town on which he intends to have built as early as possible next Summer an Office for his Ldp's Agent & Receiver General for the Reception of all Counterparts of Mannour Leases Rent Rolls & all other Books & Papers which relate to His