

can Tend to the good of the Service, or Country, & that may Lay in his power to promote.

I am, with great Regard,
Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Jeff: Amherst

His Excellency
Governor Sharpe, Maryland }

Original.

[Calvert to Sharpe.]

London Nov^r 19th 1763.

Sir.

Having very short notice by this conveyance to say, inclosed is the London Gazette, informing you & the Gentlemen of the Council of my having obey'd y^{rs} & their Desire of delivery of the Address to His Majesty; w^{ch} the Earl of Hallifax Sec^y of State was so obliging at my request to present, I've only to say, the Duty, the truth & polite Style contained in the Address gave it wellcome to his Majesty who rec^d it very Graciously. In discourse with his Lord^p I acquainted him with the contents of y^{rs} the 2^d of July of y^r having ordered Col Prather with the Militia to Rendevous & M^r Heinzman the Latter as Com^{ad} to repair to fort Frederick & there to receive & to Protect the Inhabitants &c^a in case of the Incursions of the Indians & that you wo^d Act & Do all in y^r Power towards preservation of the Province & his Majestys Realm in that Quarter. His Lord^p seem'd apprehensive of much trouble from the Savages, expressed contentment at y^r conduct & said I gave him pleasure to hear that matters seem'd not so Bad from y^r Acco^t

Inclosed contained in the Public Ledger is a Let^r dated from Maryland, in style reflectious on the Government part &c^a I apprised you of this Step wo^d be By mine March 1st desiring from you & the Council wo^d enable me in case any such matter shou^d happen to enable me from y^{rs} & their considerations to be prepared on the Dessersion part But of that I've not rec^d Why surprizing! to forewarn is to fore-Arm. the fallacy of the Let^r writer I don't doubt is conspicuous, seasoned with invective invidious reflections; at my first reading I had reflections for answ^{rs} But upon second thoughts wave it, being confirm'd therein by Persons of sound sense & integrity as not worthy of answ^r so on that Bottom Un-Noticed, leaving it to its own Absurdities; However it is slime filthy an Hon^{ble} Administration ought to wipe off, as Maryland; especially as more Rancour is said is in the womb of time. The Public & Papers will inform you of the Base, Scandalous, sedi-